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SUPERGIRL

TODAY, SUPERGIRL IS KNOWN AND ADMIRERD THROUGHOUT THE WORLD! BUT THERE WAS A TIME WHEN HER VERY EXISTENCE ON EARTH WAS A CLOSELY GUARDED SECRET. IN THIS, THE VERY FIRST STORY OF THE AMAZING MAID OF STEEL, WE TAKE YOU BACK TO THAT TIME. YOU WILL READ OF HER ORIGIN, HER FIRST MEETING WITH SUPERMAN, AND THE CREATION OF A SECRET IDENTITY FOR...

The SUPERGIRL from KRYPTON!

GREAT GUNS! I SEEM TO SEE A YOUNGSTER FLYING, DRESSED IN A SUPER-COSTUME! IT... UH... MUST BE AN ILLUSION!

LOOK AGAIN, SUPERMAN! IT'S ME... SUPERGIRL! AND I'M REAL!



ONE DAY IN METROPOLIS WHERE CLARK KENT, WHO IS SECRETLY SUPERMAN, WORKS AS A REPORTER FOR THE DAILY PLANET...

MY SUPER-HEARING PICKED UP A ROARING SOUND FAR OUT OF TOWN! I'LL CHECK WHAT IT IS WITH MY TELESCOPIC VISION!



GREAT GUNS! A GUIDED MISSILE IS ABOUT TO CRASH! THERE'S A HUMAN PASSENGER IN IT! THIS IS A JOB FOR SUPERMAN!



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SWIFTLY, CLARK SHEDS HIS OUTER GARMENTS TO REVEAL HIS OTHER DYNAMIC COSTUME!

LUCKILY, NOBODY ELSE IS IN THE OFFICE AT THE MOMENT! BUT HAVE I TIME TO REACH THE ROCKET? IT'LL SMASH IN SECONDS!

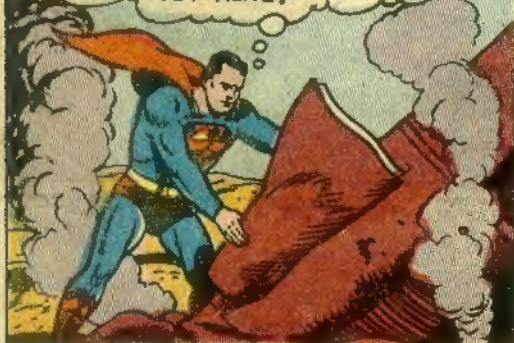


DESPITE HIS SUPER-SPEED, THE MAN OF STEEL IS TOO LATE!

IT...IT CAME AT GREATER SPEED THAN ANY ROCKET KNOWN ON EARTH BEFORE! IN FACT, IT REMINDS ME OF THE ROCKET THAT BROUGHT ME TO EARTH THIS SAME WAY, WHEN I WAS **SUPERBABY** YEARS AGO!



I SURVIVED MY CRASH BECAUSE I CAME FROM **KRYPTON**, A WORLD OF A RED SUN! THAT GAVE ME SUPER-POWERS AND INVULNERABILITY IN EARTH'S LESSER GRAVITATION! BUT WHOEVER WAS IN THIS ROCKET WON'T COME OUT ALIVE!



YOU'RE DUE FOR A SUPER-SHOCK, SUPERMAN!

DON'T WORRY, **SUPERMAN!** I'M ALIVE WITHOUT A SCRATCH!

GREAT SCOTT, A YOUNG GIRL, UNHARMED! BUT... BUT THAT MEANS YOU'RE **INVULNERABLE** LIKE ME!



WHY NOT, **SUPERMAN?** I'M ALSO FROM THE PLANET **KRYPTON!**

THAT'S IMPOSSIBLE! I WAS THE ONLY SURVIVOR WHEN **KRYPTON** EXPLODED LONG AGO! BESIDES, YOU WEREN'T EVEN BORN AT THE TIME!



TO ADD TO THE MYSTERY, WHY ARE YOU WEARING A SUPER-COSTUME LIKE MINE? HOW DID YOU KNOW MY NAME? HOW CAN YOU SPEAK THE EARTH LANGUAGE SO WELL? AND... AND...??

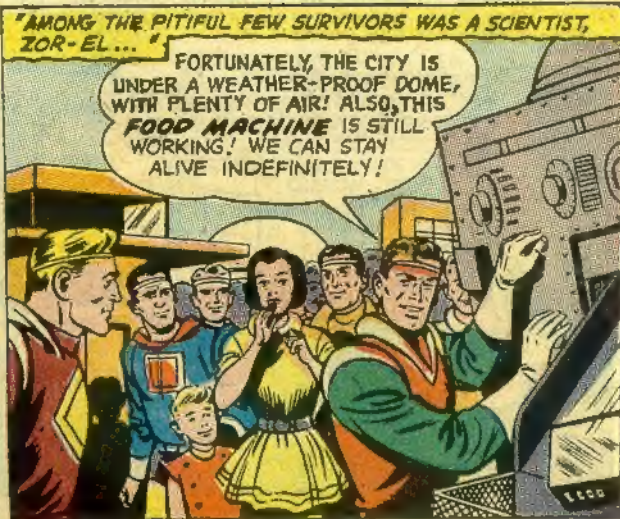
BAFFLED, **SUPERMAN!** LET ME TELL YOU MY STORY, AS MY PARENTS TOLD IT TO ME! WHEN **KRYPTON** BLEW UP YOU WERE NOT THE ONLY ONE TO ESCAPE ALIVE...





"BY SHEER LUCK, A LARGE CHUNK OF THE PLANET WAS HURLED AWAY INTACT, WITH PEOPLE ON IT..."

OUR STREET OF HOMES IS BEING FLUNG FREE INTO SPACE, SAVING US FROM THE CONCUSSION THAT WIPED OUT ALL OTHERS!



"AMONG THE PITIFUL FEW SURVIVORS WAS A SCIENTIST, ZOR-EL..."

FORTUNATELY, THE CITY IS UNDER A WEATHER-PROOF DOME, WITH PLENTY OF AIR! ALSO, THIS FOOD MACHINE IS STILL WORKING! WE CAN STAY ALIVE INDEFINITELY!



"BUT THEIR JOY WAS SHORT-LIVED, FOR, WHEN NIGHT FELL..."

OHH... I FEEL WEAK!

GREAT STARS! THE GROUND IS GLOWING GREEN! THE NUCLEAR EXPLOSION CONVERTED OUR SHATTERED PLANET INTO **KRYPTONITE**, AN ELEMENT WHOSE RADIATIONS CAN POISON AND DESTROY US IN TIME!



"BUT LUCKILY, ZOR-EL HAD A ROLL OF SHEET METAL IN HIS LAB, AND..."

THAT'S **LEAD**, WHICH STOPS ALL RADIATIONS! COVER ALL THE GROUND AROUND OUR HOMES! IT WILL ALLOW US TO SURVIVE, SAFE FROM THE **KRYPTONITE** RAYS!



"LIFE SETTLED DOWN FOR THE **KRYPTON** REFUGEES AND, SOME YEARS LATER, ZOR-EL TOOK A WIFE AND A DAUGHTER WAS BORN TO THEM... ME!"

IT'S TIME FOR **KARA'S** BOTTLE, DEAR!

OUR CHILD CAN GROW UP SAFELY AS LONG AS THE LEADEN SHIELD UNDER OUR COMMUNITY WARDS OFF THOSE **KRYPTONITE** RADIATIONS!



"BUT FATE PLAYED A CRUEL TRICK, WHEN I HAD GROWN INTO GIRLHOOD..."

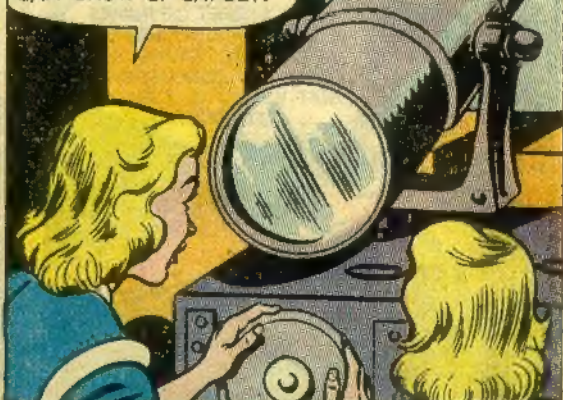
INTO THE HOUSE, **KARA**! A METEOR FLOCK IS SMASHING HOLES IN THE LEADEN SHIELD, RELEASING **KRYPTONITE** RADIATIONS! WE ARE ALL DOOMED...
= CHOKE! =

"DESPERATELY, MY FATHER RACED AGAINST TIME IN HIS LAB, CONSTRUCTING A SPACE ROCKET!"

WE HAVE A MONTH BEFORE **KRYPTONITE** RADIATIONS SLOWLY POISON THE AIR! BUT BEFORE THAT FATAL HOUR, THIS ROCKET WILL SEND OUR DAUGHTER TO ANOTHER WORLD!



BUT WHICH WORLD? I'LL USE THE **SUPER-SPACE TELESCOPE** TO FIND SOME CIVILIZED WORLD WHERE **KARA** CAN GROW UP SAFELY!



"EXAMINING MANY PLANETS, MY MOTHER SPIED A STARTLING PHENOMENON ON ONE PARTICULAR WORLD..."

LOOK, MOTHER! WHO IS THAT FLYING MAN?

I... I DON'T KNOW, DEAR! BUT THAT IS A CIVILIZED WORLD! I'LL PICK UP THEIR BROADCASTS WITH OUR SPACE RADIO, AND DECIPHER THEIR LANGUAGE!



"IT WAS EARTH, OF COURSE, AND AFTER LEARNING THEIR LANGUAGE, MY MOTHER HEARD A PROGRAM HONORING THEIR MOST FAMOUS HERO!"

THE CITY OF **METROPOLIS** PAYS TRIBUTE TODAY TO **SUPER-MAN**, WHO ORIGINALLY CAME FROM THE PLANET **KRYPTON**! HE GAINED HIS SUPER-POWERS IN EARTH'S LESSER GRAVITY!

THEN YOU, TOO, WOULD HAVE SUPER-POWERS ON EARTH, **KARA**! WE'LL SEND YOU THERE TO MEET **SUPERMAN**, WHO IS ONE OF OUR PEOPLE!



"MY MOTHER ALSO MADE ME A SPECIAL COSTUME..."

I'LL MAKE IT LIKE **SUPERMAN'S** SUIT SO HE'LL KNOW YOU FOR A **KRYPTON** GIRL! I CAN CUT AND SEW IT HERE, BUT ON EARTH IT WILL BECOME INDESTRUCTIBLE **SUPER-CLOTH**!

THE SPACE ROCKET IS FINISHED, TOO! HURRY! THE **KRYPTONITE** RADIATIONS ARE FILLING THE AIR LIKE POISON!



"BARELY IN TIME, I WAS SHOT FREE OF MY DOOMED PEOPLE!"

WE HAVE AIMED THE ROCKET FOR EARTH! FAREWELL, **KARA**...**GAASP!**



MY FATHER... MOTHER... ALL THE PEOPLE ARE DYING! I'M AN **ORPHAN** OF SPACE NOW...**SOB!**

*BUT, UNKNOWN TO **SUPERGIRL**, HER PARENTS ESCAPED INTO THE **SURVIVAL ZONE**! - Ed.

AS THE TRAGIC STORY OF KARA, THE GIRL FROM KRYPTON, ENDS...

YES, I KNOW IT WAS HEARTBREAKING, KARA! I WAS ORPHANED FROM MY PARENTS THE SAME WAY! AS A BABY, I WAS ALSO SHOT AWAY IN A SPACE ROCKET BY MY FATHER, JOR-EL!



JOR-EL? WHY MY FATHER'S NAME WAS ZOR-EL, YOUR FATHER'S BROTHER!

GREAT SCOTT! THEN YOU'RE MY-- COUSIN!



THIS IS PERHAPS THE HAPPIEST MOMENT IN SUPERMAN'S LIFE, TO FIND HE HAS A LONG-LOST LIVING RELATIVE FROM HIS NATIVE WORLD!

WE MAY BE ORPHANS, BUT WE HAVE EACH OTHER NOW! I'LL TAKE CARE OF YOU LIKE A BIG BROTHER, COUSIN KARA!

THANKS, COUSIN SUPERMAN!... ~~CHOKE~~ YOU MEAN I'LL COME AND LIVE WITH YOU?



HMM... NO! THAT WOULDN'T WORK! YOU SEE, I'VE ADOPTED A SECRET IDENTITY ON EARTH WHICH MIGHT BE JEOPARDIZED! BUT I HAVE A GREAT IDEA FOR YOUR FUTURE LIFE! FIRST, LET'S SEE IF YOU CAN FLY!



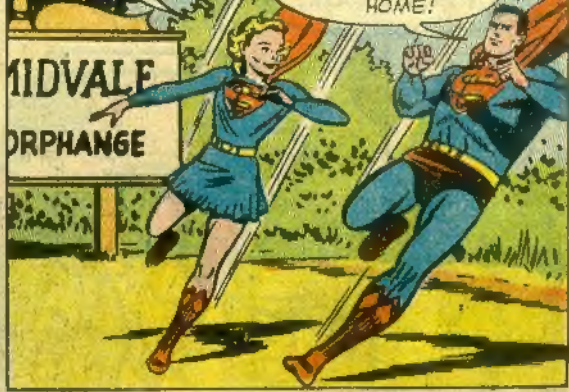
I...I CAN! I HAVE SUPER-POWERS JUST LIKE YOU DO, COUSIN!

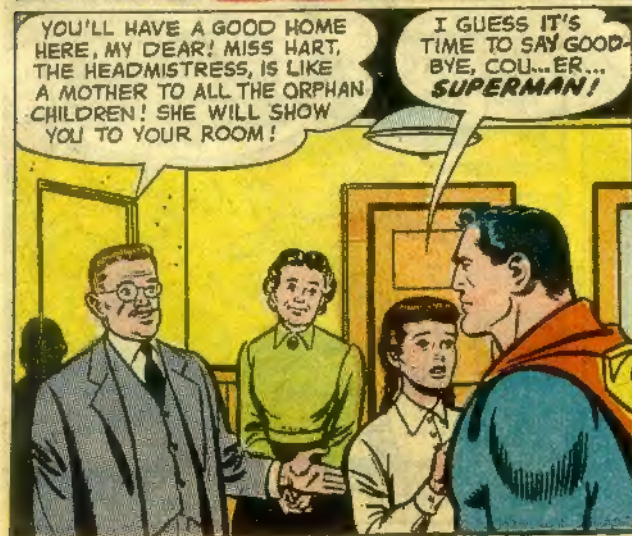
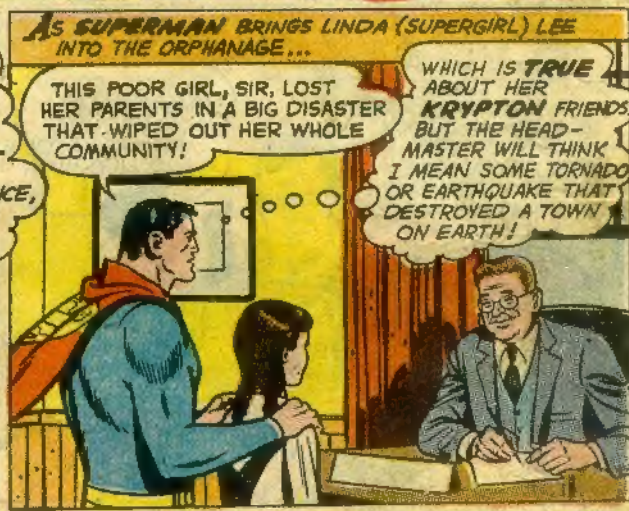
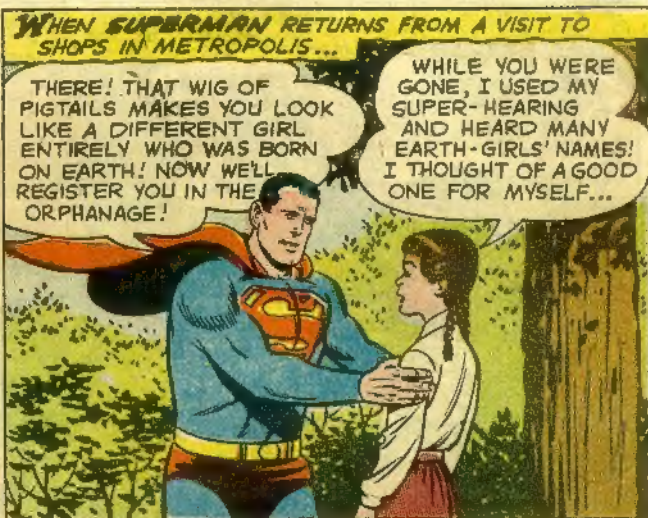
I JUST WANTED TO MAKE SURE! IN MY YOUTH IN SMALLVILLE, I WAS HONORED AS SUPER-BOY! YOU, TOO, CAN GAIN FAME AS SUPER-GIRL, THE GIRL OF STEEL!



OH, HOW THRILLING, SUPERMAN! CAN I BEGIN MY SUPER-CAREER RIGHT AWAY?

NO, KARA! YOU'LL NEED LONG PRACTICE BEFORE YOU CAN USE YOUR SUPER-POWERS PROPERLY! MEANWHILE, THIS ORPHAN-AGE WILL BE YOUR HOME!

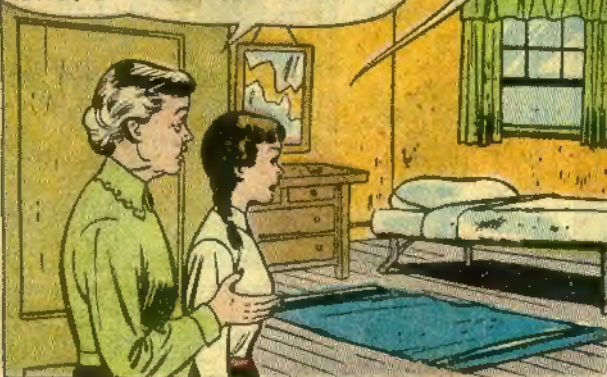




AFTER SUPERMAN LEAVES...

ER--I'M SORRY, LINDA, BUT THE ORPHANAGE IS OVERCROWDED AND THIS IS THE ONLY ROOM WE HAVE! I'LL HELP YOU TIDY IT UP.

NO, MISS HART! I'LL DO IT MYSELF!



WHEN ALONE...

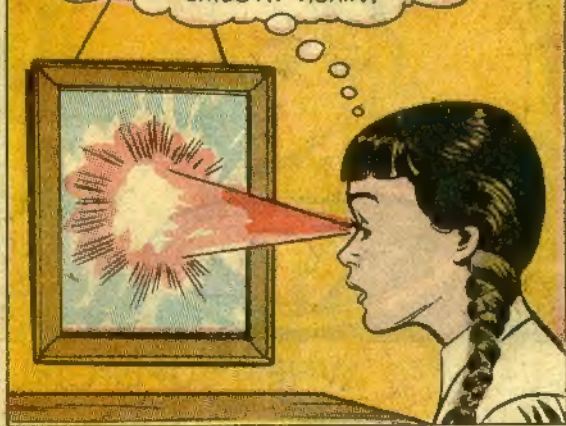
NO ONE WILL SEE ME USE MY SUPER-POWERS, WITH THE DOOR CLOSED! I'LL BEND THE IRON LEG OF MY COT STRAIGHT! THAT PROVES I HAVE **SUPER-STRENGTH** TOO, JUST LIKE MY COUSIN **SUPERMAN**!



WHEN WE WATCHED THROUGH THE SUPER-TELESCOPE, MY MOTHER AND I SAW ALL OF **SUPERMAN'S** POWERS DISPLAYED! **SUPER-BREATH** IS HANDY, TOO, TO DUST OUT MY ROOM IN ONE BIG BLOW!



NOW THE RAYS OF MY **HEAT VISION** WILL FUSE THIS CRACKED MIRROR SMOOTH AGAIN!



ALSO I CAN USE **X-RAY VISION** THROUGH THE WALLS TO SEE THE OTHER ORPHANS HERE! HOPE I CAN MAKE FRIENDS WITH THEM ALL! THIS WILL BE MY HOME FROM NOW ON, ON THE PLANET EARTH!



LIGHT'S OUT, CHILDREN! TIME FOR BED! GOOD-NIGHT!

HMM...WHILE EVERYONE'S ASLEEP, IT'S MY CHANCE TO CHANGE TO **SUPERGIRL** AND LOOK OVER MY NEW HOME TOWN! NOBODY WILL SEE ME IN THE DARK, SO I'M NOT DISOBEYING **SUPERMAN**!



SOON, SUPERGIRL IS ON A SECRET "PATROL" OF MIDVALE!



MIDVALE IS A PRETTY LITTLE TOWN! I LIKE IT ALREADY! MAYBE I CAN STILL DO SUPER-DEEDS FOR WORTHY PEOPLE WITHOUT BEING SEEN, LIKE A SORT OF "GUARDIAN ANGEL!"

PRESENTLY, AT A MOVIE THEATRE...



NOW SHOWING

**OLD TIME FILMS:
HISTORY OF
SUPERBOY IN
SMALLVILLE!**

WHY, THAT MOVIE IS ABOUT **SUPERMAN** WHEN HE WAS MY AGE! I'M PROUD OF THE FAME AND HONOR MY COUSIN HAS EARNED ALL HIS LIFE!

WILL I SOMEDAY DO AS GOOD A JOB IN MIDVALE, AS **SUPERGIRL**? WHAT WILL THE FUTURE BRING FOR ME?



WHAT DID THE FUTURE HOLD FOR SUPERGIRL? READ ON AND YOU'LL FIND OUT, AS YOU VIEW HER EARLY ADVENTURES, MEET HER SUPER-PETS, AND FOLLOW HER CAREER FROM THE DAYS WHEN SHE WAS **SUPERMAN'S SECRET WEAPON TO THE TIME WHEN SHE WON FAME AS THE **WORLD'S GREATEST HEROINE!****

WHEN SUPERGIRL MET JIMMY OLSEN

Supergirl's first meeting with Superman's pal took place while her existence on Earth was still a secret. Jimmy Olsen had discovered a fraud perpetrated by a showman called Colonel Colby, who threatened to get the reporter if he published the expose.

Jimmy decided to rig up a trap for intruders in his apartment, using a tear-gas bomb from his souvenir collection; but the bomb went off in his face, temporarily blinding him. He hailed what he thought was a cab in order to get to a doctor. However, the "taxi" was really Colby's car. The crook drove Jimmy to a bridge and threw him off, confident that Superman, who was on a distant mission, couldn't hear Jimmy's signal-watch.

But Supergirl *did* hear the signal and streaked to the bridge just in time to catch the falling Jimmy. His head had struck the bridge, knocking him out; and Colby had driven off; so no one saw the rescue. When Jimmy came to and told his story to the girl who questioned him, she feared he might need to summon her again, so she decided to let him in on her secret.

Jimmy, however, was sure this was all a hoax and that this girl was in cahoots with Colby. Obviously, they hoped to discredit him by getting him to write up a super-powered girl who didn't exist. He'd be fired and doubt would be cast upon his expose of Colby.

The only way to convince Jimmy of her reality was for Supergirl to demonstrate her super-powers. But that wasn't easy to do, since he couldn't see her. He was sure everything she did was a trick. Did she carry him through the sky? Nonsense! He claimed it was really a wind machine blowing on them while she held him up on the ground. Did she really fell a tree he was holding with one blow? He accused her of having sawn it through in advance. Jimmy would not believe in Supergirl!

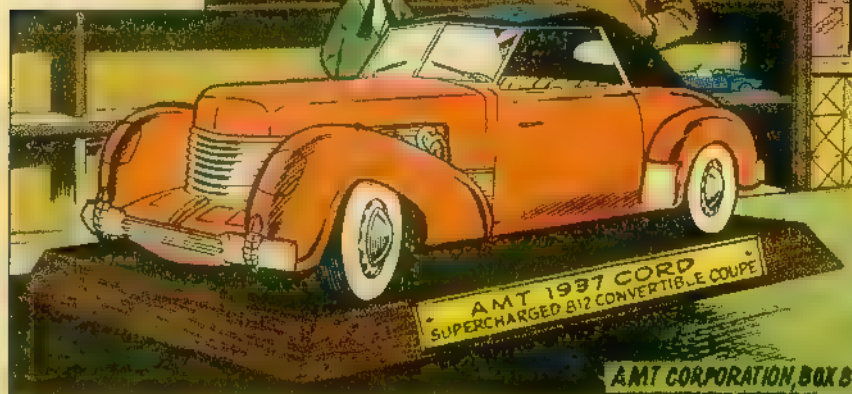
When Superman returned, he spotted Colby as a wanted killer and turned the bogus colonel over to the police. And Jimmy was quite proud of the way he'd refused to be taken in by the Supergirl "hoax." You can imagine his amazement when she was revealed to the world, two years later!

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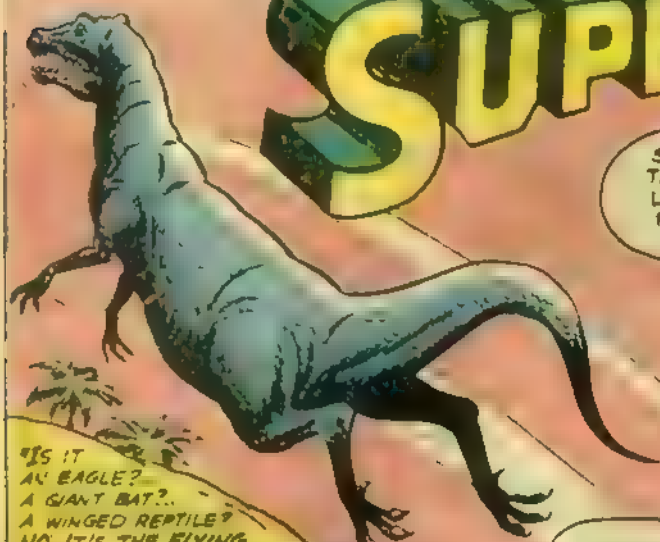
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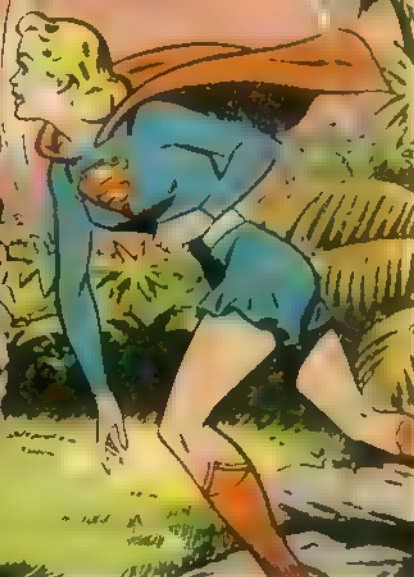


SO YOU'RE *TYRANNOSAURUS REX*, THE FIERCEST DINOSAUR THAT EVER LIVED, EH? WELL, LET THOSE CAVE-PEOPLE ALONE AND FIND YOUR DINNER ELSEWHERE!

"IS IT AN EAGLE?
A GIANT BAT?
A WINGED REPTILE?
NO, IT'S THE FLYING GIRL AGAIN!" SUCH ARE THE STARTLED THOUGHTS THAT GRIP CAVEMEN OF LONG AGO WHEN A GIRL WITH SUPER-POWERS PATROLS THEIR VALLEY! WHO CAN THIS MIGHTY MISS BE THAT BATTLES THE POWERFUL DINOSAURS OF THAT PREHISTORIC AGE? YES, YOU GUESSED IT... IT'S NONE OTHER THAN *SUPERGIRL* OF THE 20TH CENTURY, WHEN SHE HURTTLES BACK INTO THE STONE AGE PAST AND BECOMES...

THE **CAVE-GIRL OF STEEL!**

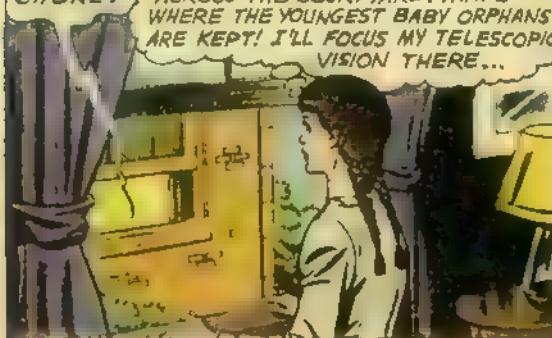
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IN HER ROOM AT MIDVALE ORPHANAGE ONE DAY, AS LINDA LEE, WHO IS SECRETLY *SUPERGIRL*, HEARS A STRANGE SOUND WITH HER SUPER-EARS...

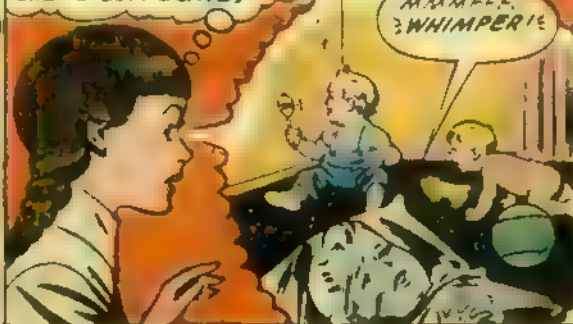
MMFFF CHOKE!

IT'S COMING FROM THE NURSERY ACROSS THE COURTYARD! THAT'S WHERE THE YOUNGEST BABY ORPHANS ARE KEPT! I'LL FOCUS MY TELESCOPIC VISION THERE...



OH MY GOODNESS! ONE OF THE BABIES FOUND A USED PLASTIC BAG AND CRAWLED INTO IT! THE NURSE MUST HAVE STEPPED OUT TO FIX THEIR BOTTLES! THE PLASTIC BAG GOT TANGLED AROUND BABY JANET'S HEAD! SHE'LL SUFFOCATE!

MMFFF WHIMPER!



SWIFTLY...
I'LL SHOOT A BEAM OF MY HEAT VISION AND



THE FLASH OF HEAT SLICES OPEN THE PLASTIC BAG! THAT DOLL'S ARM STICKING UP WILL MAKE IT SEEM LIKE A LUCKY ACCIDENT! NOW THE BABY'S CRYING WILL BRING THE NURSE!



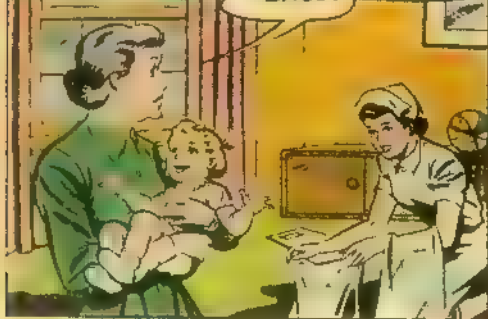
WAAH WAAAAH!

WHEN THE NURSE COMES RUNNING...
THIS PLASTIC BAG NEARLY CHOKED THE BABY! HOW LUCKY THAT HER DOLLY'S ARM POKED THROUGH THE BAG AND RIPPED IT OPEN!



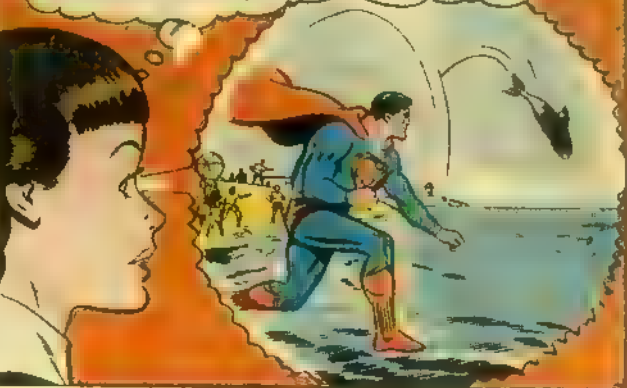
LATER, WHEN THE HEADMISTRESS HEARS OF THE NEAR-TRAGEDY.

I SEE IT WAS A MISTAKE TO SAVE THOSE THIN PLASTIC BAGS! THEY'RE USED TO WRAP CLOTHING THAT COMES BACK FROM THE CLEANERS. GET RID OF THEM! NURSE! WARN THE OTHER CHILDREN NEVER TO PLAY WITH PLASTIC BAGS!

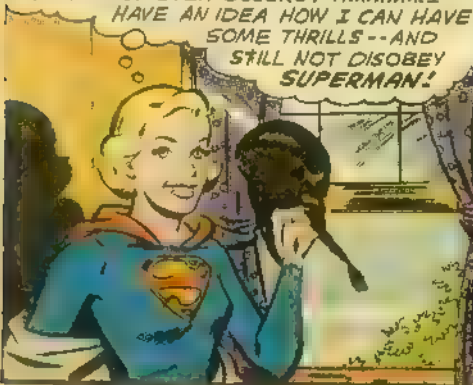


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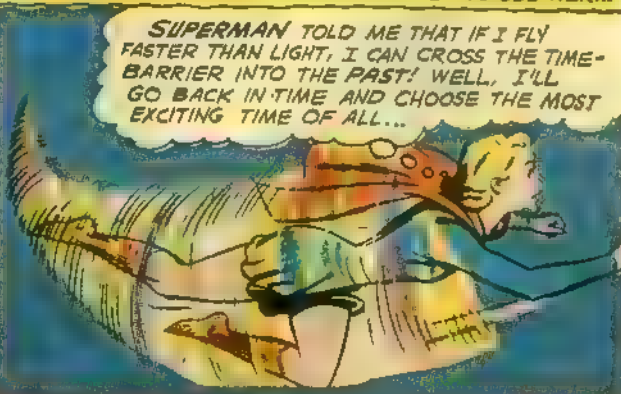
I'M GLAD I COULD USE MY SUPER-POWERS TO SAVE THAT CHILD! BUT MY DEEDS ARE TRIVIAL COMPARED TO THOSE MY COUSIN SUPERMAN DOES! THERE HE IS GETTING RID OF A KILLER-SHARK THAT THREATENED PEOPLE AT A BATHING BEACH!



I WISH I COULD DO EXCITING THINGS LIKE THAT! BUT I MUST ALWAYS KEEP MY EXISTENCE A SECRET SO THAT I CAN ACT AS SUPERMAN'S SECRET WEAPON IF AN EMERGENCY EVER OCCURS! HMMM... I HAVE AN IDEA HOW I CAN HAVE SOME THRILLS--AND STILL NOT DISOBEY SUPERMAN!



AFTER CHANGING TO SUPERGIRL AND SPEEDING OUT OF HER WINDOW TOO FAST FOR OTHER EYES TO SEE HER...



SUPERMAN TOLD ME THAT IF I FLY FASTER THAN LIGHT, I CAN CROSS THE TIME-BARRIER INTO THE PAST! WELL, I'LL GO BACK IN TIME AND CHOOSE THE MOST EXCITING TIME OF ALL...

THE PREHISTORIC AGE, WHEN THE ANCIENT DINOSAURS WERE STILL ALIVE!

SUDDENLY

GOODNESS! BY SOME FREAK OF NATURE, CAVEMEN AND DINOSAURS EXIST TOGETHER IN THIS VALLEY! A PTERODACTYL SNATCHED AWAY THAT BABY! THE MOTHER'S PROBABLY YELLING "HELP, HELP!"

OOLG OOLG

I'LL GIVE CHASE! AND IT WON'T MATTER IF THESE PRIMITIVE CAVE-FOLK SEE ME IN ACTION! IT'S ONLY THE PEOPLE OF THE 20TH CENTURY WHO MUSTN'T KNOW I EXIST! BUT THE CHILD MIGHT BE INJURED IF I SNATCH IT OUT OF THAT SHARP BEAK!

INSTEAD, SUPERGIRL SWOOPS DOWN TO PICK UP ANOTHER AMAZING CREATURE AND

THE PTERODACTYL CAN'T SEE ME UNDERNEATH! THE SIGHT OF THIS GIANT WINGLESS TRICERATOPS FLYING STARTLED THE PTERODACTYL! HE DROPPED THE BABY!

MOMENTS LATER

NOW TO DUMP THE TRICERATOPS IN THAT POOL AND CATCH THE BABY!

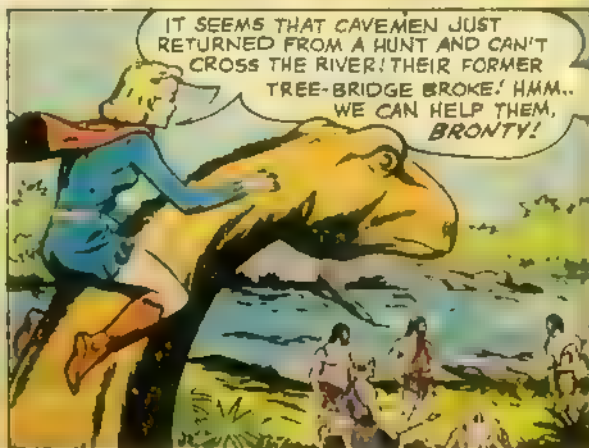
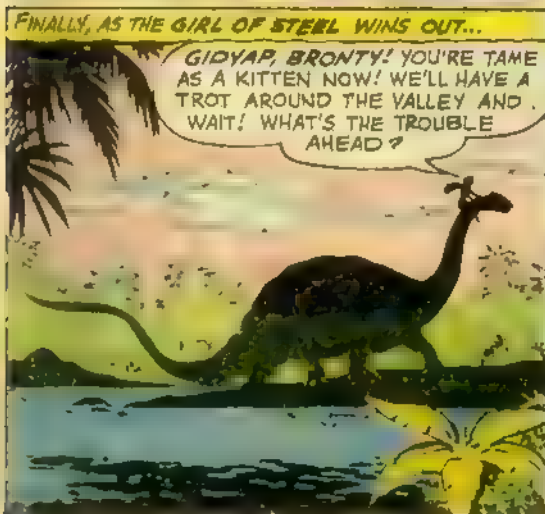
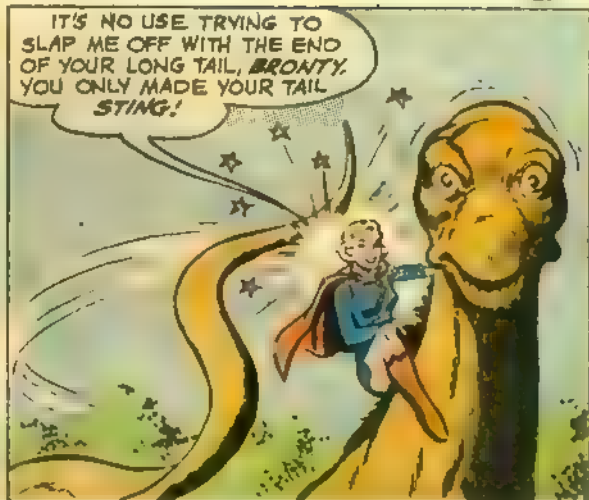
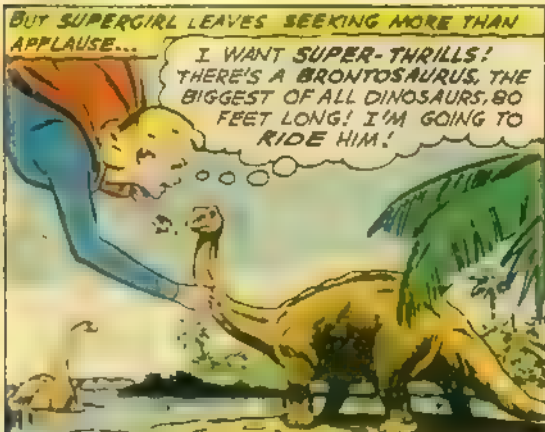
WHEN SUPERGIRL RETURNS THE UNHARMED CHILD TO ITS PARENTS...

YORG!
YORG!

I SUPPOSE THIS STONE-AGE TRIBE IS CHEERING ME! MAYBE I'M A HAM, BUT THEIR CHEERS ARE MUSIC TO MY EARS!

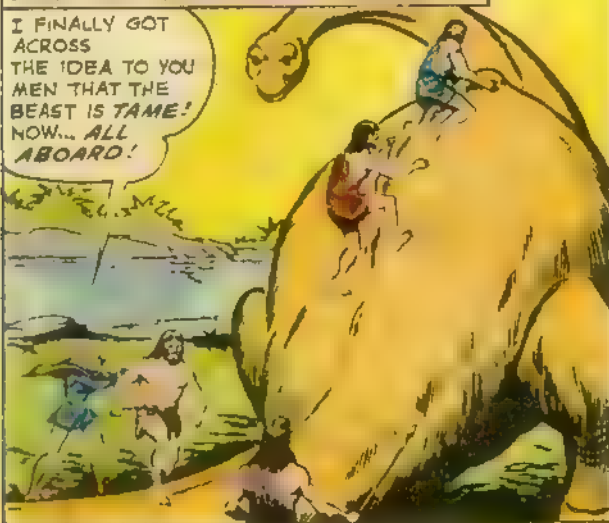


GIANT SUPERGIRL



AFTER MUCH GESTURING BY SUPERGIRL...

I FINALLY GOT
ACROSS
THE IDEA TO YOU
MEN THAT THE
BEAST IS TAME!
NOW... ALL
ABOARD!



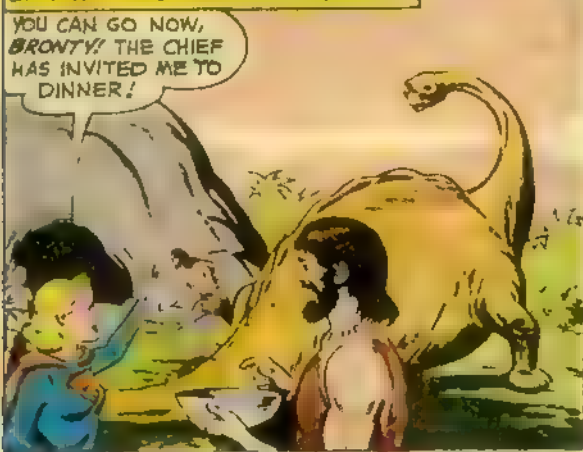
PRESENTLY...

THIS TYPE OF DINOSAUR IS
A GOOD SWIMMER! NO
CHARGE FOR THE BRONTO-
SAURUS FERRY, MEN! WE'LL
DELIVER YOU ACROSS THE
RIVER.



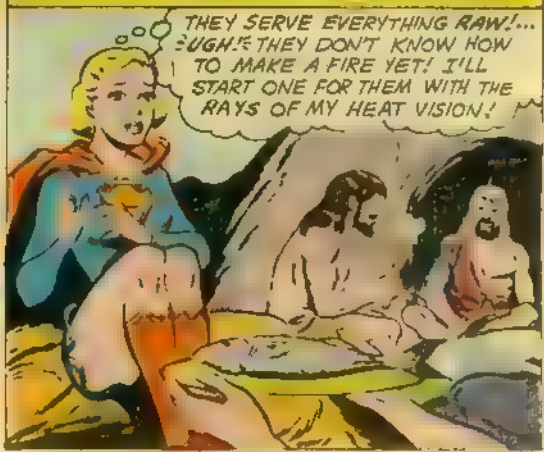
LATER, AT THE TRIBAL HEADQUARTERS

YOU CAN GO NOW,
BRONTY! THE CHIEF
HAS INVITED ME TO
DINNER!



BUT SUPERGIRL LOSES HER APPETITE WHEN

THEY SERVE EVERYTHING RAW!...
UGH! THEY DON'T KNOW HOW
TO MAKE A FIRE YET! I'LL
START ONE FOR THEM WITH THE
RAYS OF MY HEAT VISION!



BUT AS A LIGHTNING STORM BREAKS
OUT...

THAT LIGHTNING BOLT SET A
TREE ON FIRE! THAT SAVES ME
THE TROUBLE! I'LL SHOW THEM HOW
TO HEAP ON MORE WOOD AND KEEP
THE FIRE GOING!

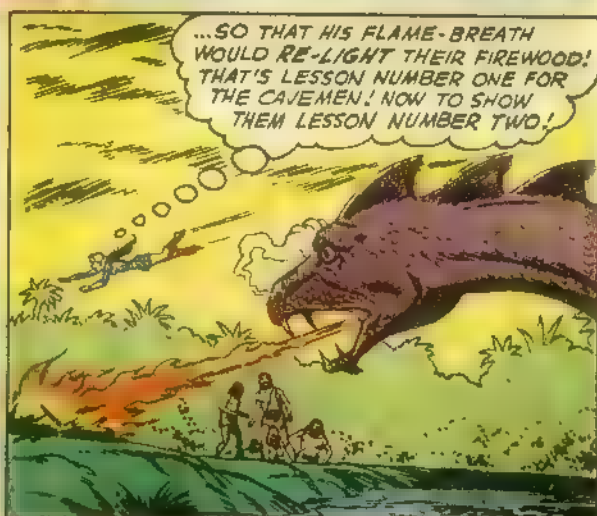
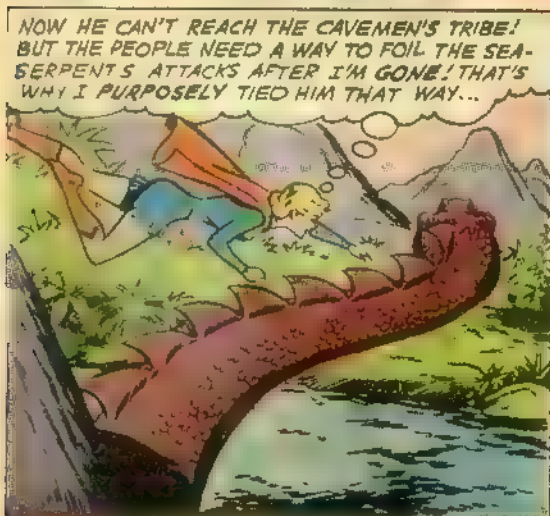
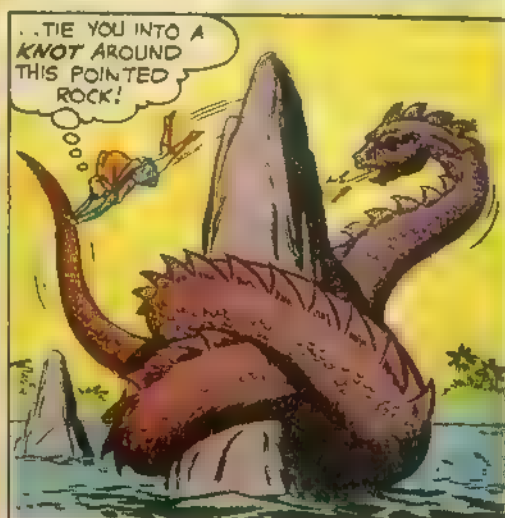
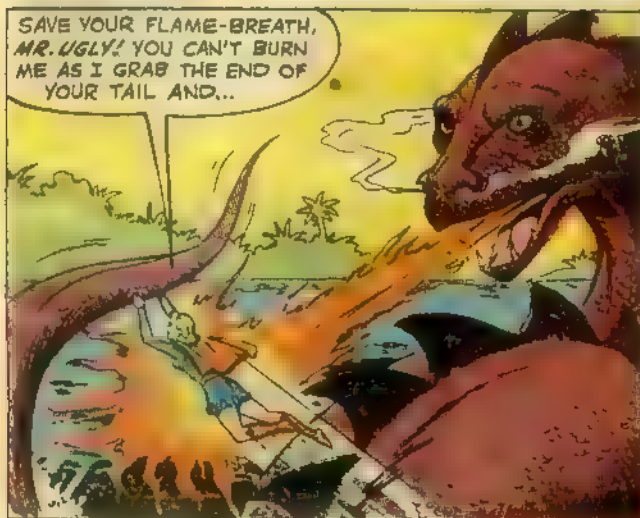
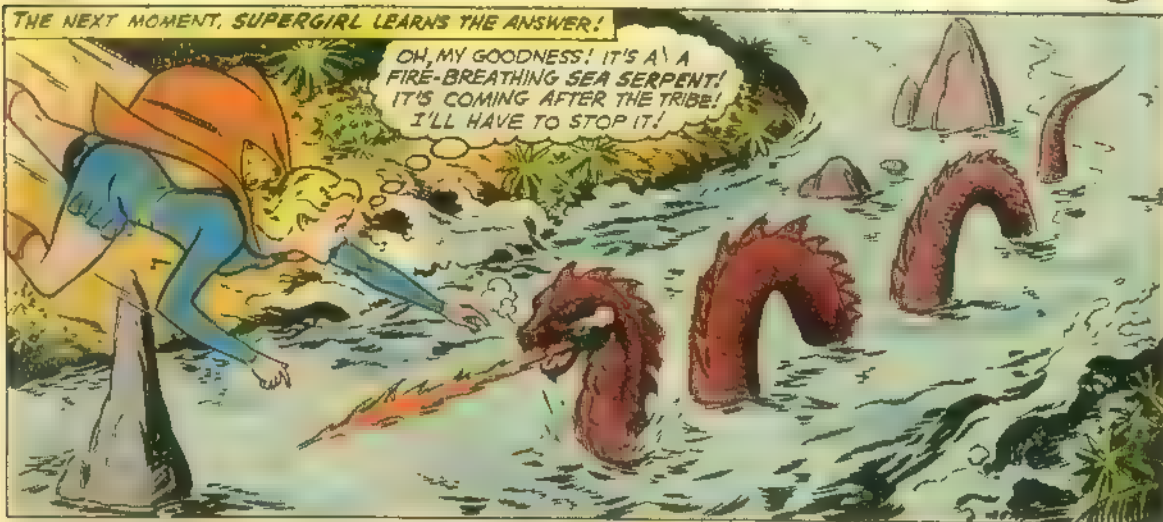


SUDDENLY, JUST AS THE BLAZE IS GOING GOOD

NOW THEY'VE GOT THE
IDEA... UH... GLUB! RIVER
WATER SUDDENLY WASHED
OVER THE FIRE! BUT HOW
CAN A RIVER HAVE A
TIDAL WAVE LIKE
THAT?

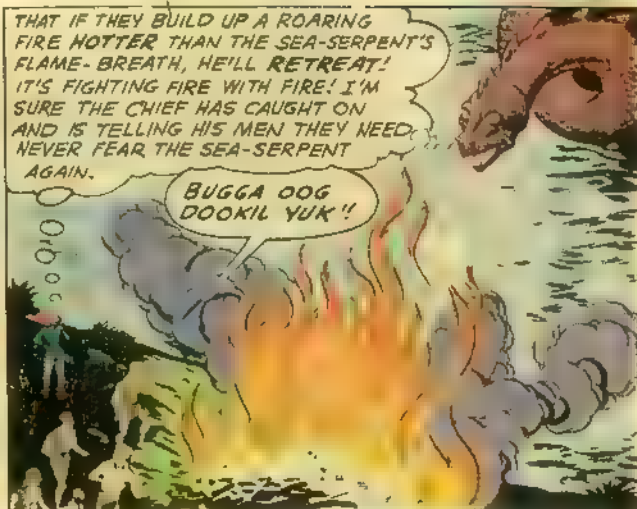


THE NEXT MOMENT, SUPERGIRL LEARNS THE ANSWER!



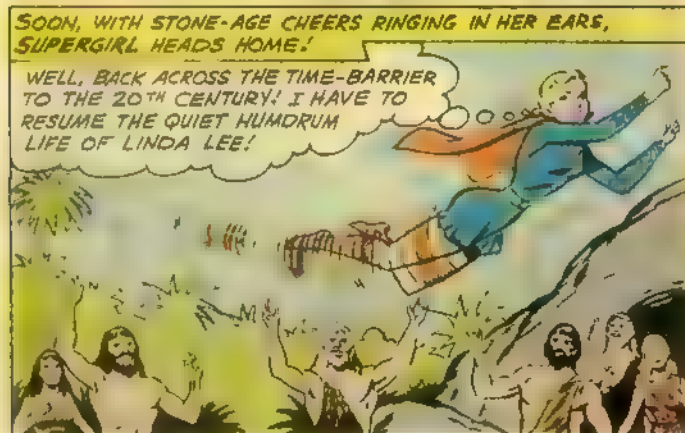


I'LL MAKE A BIG BONFIRE! THEY CAUGHT ON! THEY'RE IMITATING ME! AND THIS WILL CLEARLY POINT OUT THE THIRD AND FINAL LESSON...



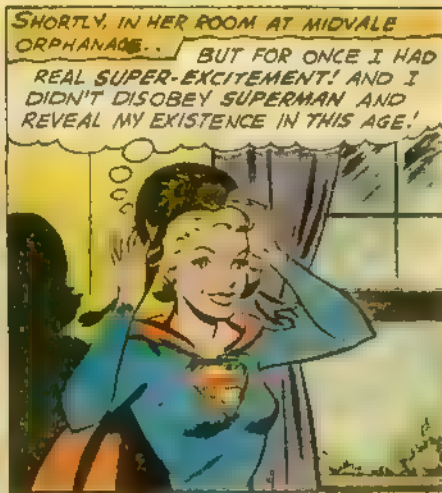
THAT IF THEY BUILD UP A ROARING FIRE HOTTER THAN THE SEA-SERPENT'S FLAME-BREATH, HE'LL RETREAT! IT'S FIGHTING FIRE WITH FIRE! I'M SURE THE CHIEF HAS CAUGHT ON AND IS TELLING HIS MEN THEY NEED NEVER FEAR THE SEA-SERPENT AGAIN.

BUGGA OOG DOOKIL YUK!!



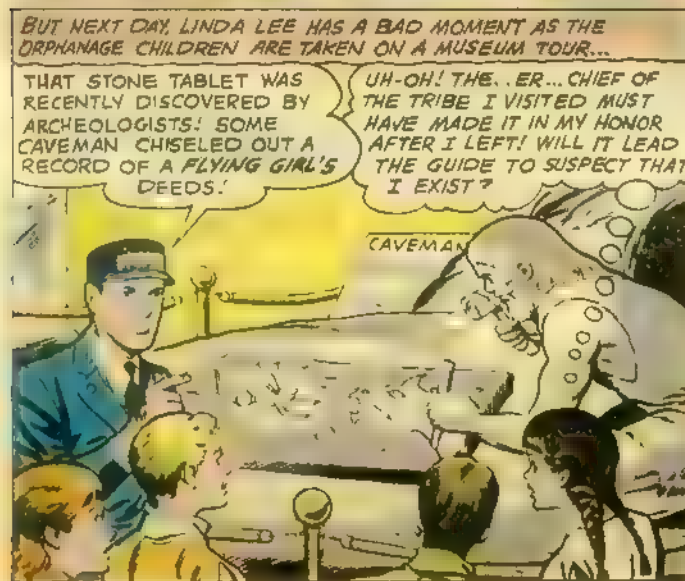
SOON, WITH STONE-AGE CHEERS RINGING IN HER EARS, SUPERGIRL HEADS HOME!

WELL, BACK ACROSS THE TIME-BARRIER TO THE 20TH CENTURY! I HAVE TO RESUME THE QUIET HUMDRUM LIFE OF LINDA LEE!



SHORTLY, IN HER ROOM AT MIDVALE ORPHANAGE...

BUT FOR ONCE I HAD REAL SUPER-EXCITEMENT! AND I DIDN'T DISOBEY SUPERMAN AND REVEAL MY EXISTENCE IN THIS AGE!

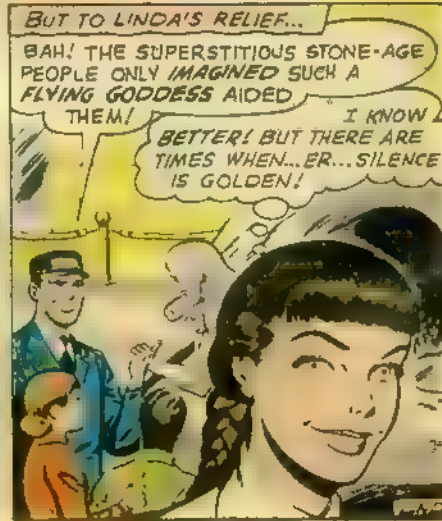


BUT NEXT DAY, LINDA LEE HAS A BAD MOMENT AS THE ORPHANAGE CHILDREN ARE TAKEN ON A MUSEUM TOUR...

THAT STONE TABLET WAS RECENTLY DISCOVERED BY ARCHEOLOGISTS! SOME CAVE MAN CHISELED OUT A RECORD OF A FLYING GIRL'S DEEDS!

UH-OH! THE...ER...CHIEF OF THE TRIBE I VISITED MUST HAVE MADE IT IN MY HONOR AFTER I LEFT! WILL IT LEAD THE GUIDE TO SUSPECT THAT I EXIST?

CAVE MAN



BUT TO LINDA'S RELIEF...

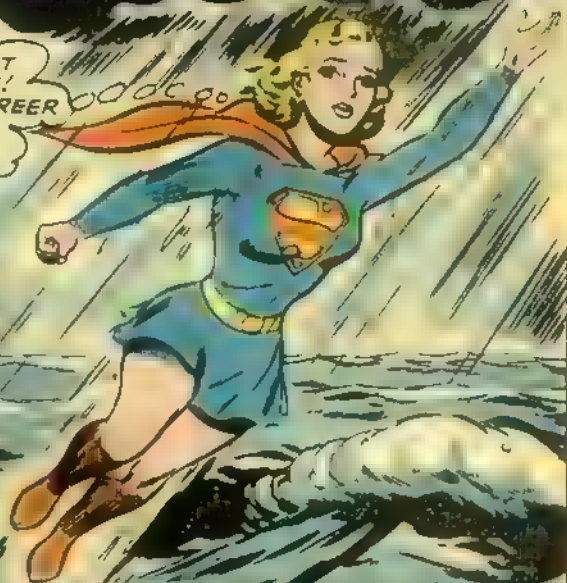
BAH! THE SUPERSTITIOUS STONE-AGE PEOPLE ONLY IMAGINED SUCH A FLYING GODDESS AIDED THEM!

I KNOW BETTER! BUT THERE ARE TIMES WHEN...ER...SILENCE IS GOLDEN!

SUPERGIRL

COME BACK,
SUPERGIRL! COME
BACK TO ME!
COME BACK!

NO, JERRO! YOU MUST
FORGET WE EVER MET!
LIKE SUPERMAN, MY CAREER
MUST COME FIRST!
ROMANCE IS NOT FOR
ME...? CHOKE?...?



**SUPERGIRL'S
FIRST
Romance!**

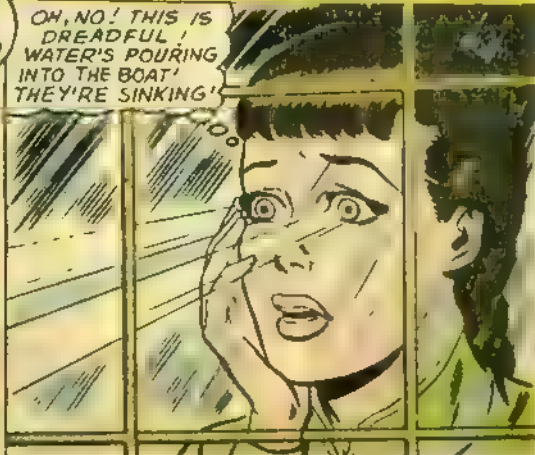
ONE DAY, AT MIDVALE
ORPHANAGE

IT SUDDENLY STARTED TO
STORM, OUTSIDE! GOODNESS,
I WONDER HOW MY FRIENDS ARE
MAKING OUT ON THAT CHARTERED
FISHING BOAT?



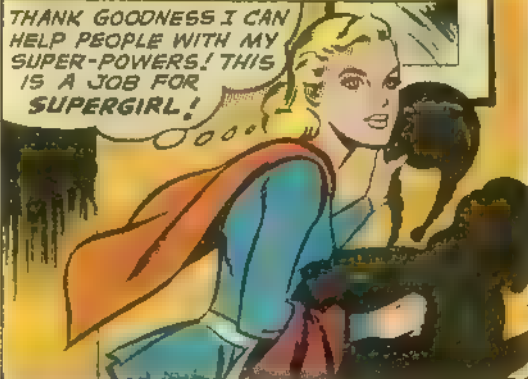
AND AS LINDA USES HER TELESCOPIC VISION

OH, NO! THIS IS
DREADFUL!
WATER'S POURING
INTO THE BOAT!
THEY'RE SINKING!



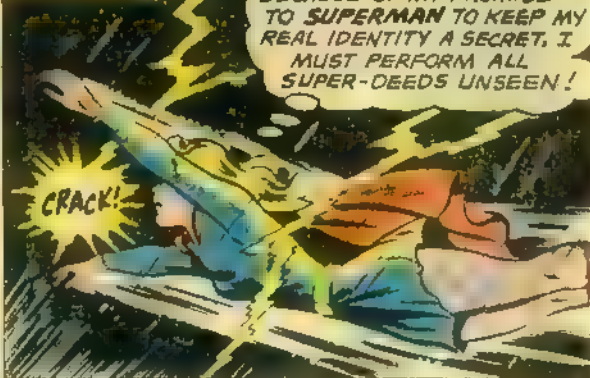
MOVING RAPIDLY, LINDA REMOVES HER OUTER GARMENTS AND WIG, TRANSFORMING HERSELF TO THE GIRL OF STEEL...

THANK GOODNESS I CAN HELP PEOPLE WITH MY SUPER-POWERS! THIS IS A JOB FOR SUPERGIRL!



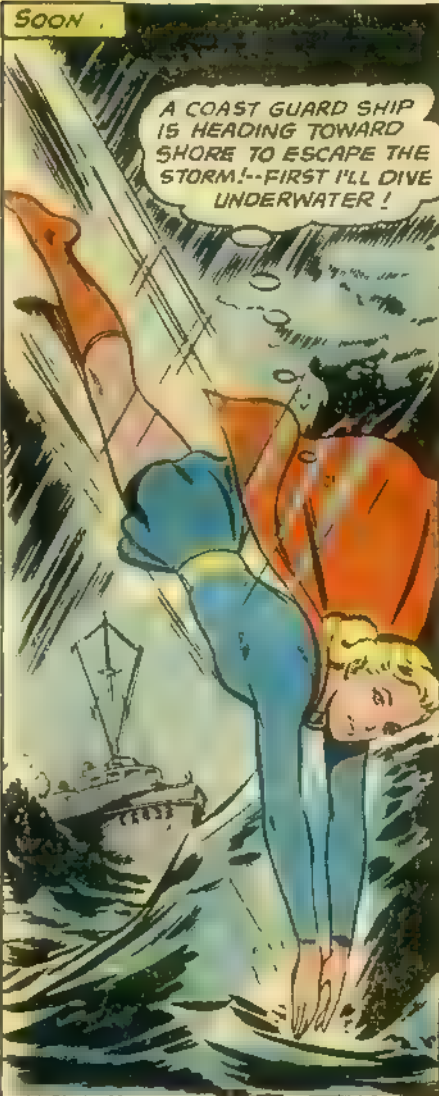
THROUGH THUNDER AND LIGHTNING STREAKS THE LOVELY YOUNG GIRL ON A DARING ERRAND OF MERCY...

BECAUSE OF MY PROMISE TO SUPERMAN TO KEEP MY REAL IDENTITY A SECRET, I MUST PERFORM ALL SUPER-DEEDS UNSEEN!



SOON

A COAST GUARD SHIP IS HEADING TOWARD SHORE TO ESCAPE THE STORM!—FIRST I'LL DIVE UNDERWATER!



AN INSTANT LATER, BENEATH THE TURBULENT WAVES...

THERE! I'VE JAMMED THE PROPELLER WITH MY BARE HANDS.



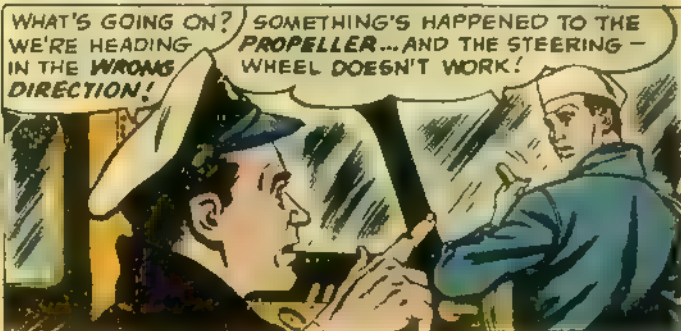
SWIMMING UNDER THE SHIP, SUPERGIRL SEIZES ITS PROW, AND...

NOW TO TOW IT SWIFTLY TO THE SINKING FISHING-BOAT!



WHAT'S GOING ON? WE'RE HEADING IN THE WRONG DIRECTION!

SOMETHING'S HAPPENED TO THE PROPELLER...AND THE STEERING—WHEEL DOESN'T WORK!





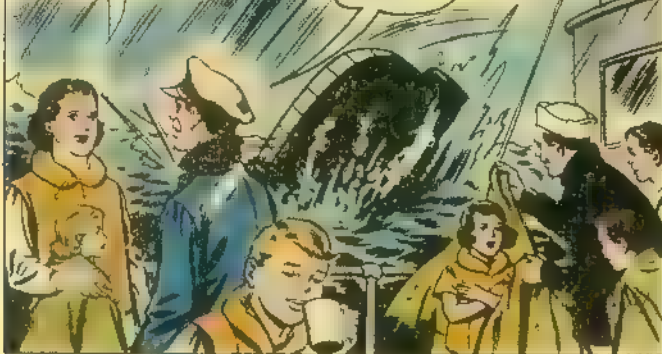
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QUICKLY, THE GIRL OF STEEL SPEEDS THE COAST GUARD SHIP TO THE SINKING FISHING BOAT, THEN DIVES AWAY UNSEEN...

THANK HEAVEN YOU ARRIVED IN TIME!

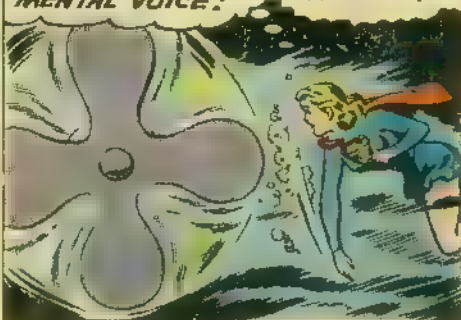
IT'S A MIRACLE I'LL NEVER FORGET! A FREAK CURRENT MUST HAVE SWEEPED US HERE!



MEANWHILE, UNJAMMING THE PROPELLER, SUPERGIRL GIVES IT A MIGHTY SPIN THAT WHIRLS IT INTO OPERATION AGAIN...

THERE! IT'LL WORK FINE NOW! THEY'LL BE ABLE TO RETURN TO SHORE!... WHAT'S THAT? A... MENTAL VOICE!

COME TO ATLANTIS, SUPERGIRL! AT ONCE!



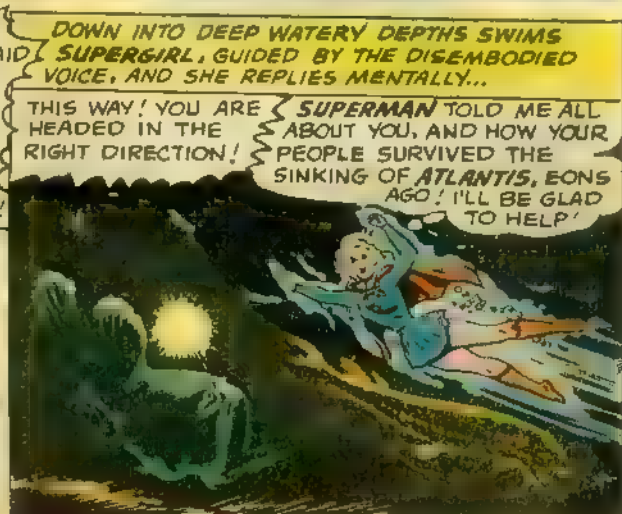
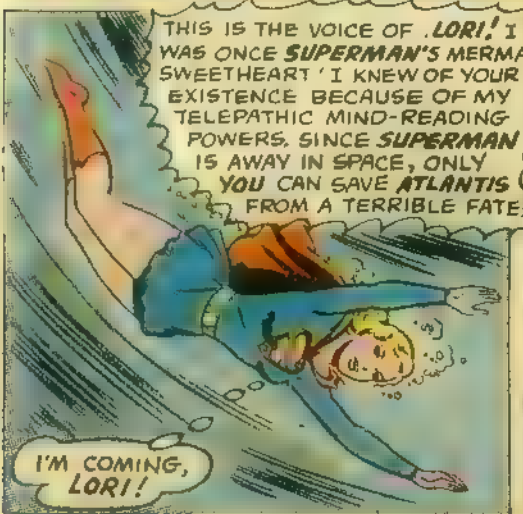
THIS IS THE VOICE OF LORI! I WAS ONCE SUPERMAN'S MERMAID SWEETHEART! I KNEW OF YOUR EXISTENCE BECAUSE OF MY TELEPATHIC MIND-READING POWERS. SINCE SUPERMAN IS AWAY IN SPACE, ONLY YOU CAN SAVE ATLANTIS FROM A TERRIBLE FATE!

DOWN INTO DEEP WATERY DEPTHS SWIMS SUPERGIRL, GUIDED BY THE DISEMBODIED VOICE, AND SHE REPLIES MENTALLY...

THIS WAY! YOU ARE HEADED IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION!

SUPERMAN TOLD ME ALL ABOUT YOU, AND HOW YOUR PEOPLE SURVIVED THE SINKING OF ATLANTIS, EONS AGO! I'LL BE GLAD TO HELP!

I'M COMING, LORI!



PRESENTLY, AS SHE REACHES ATLANTIS...

I AM LORI, AND THIS IS MY HUSBAND RONAL! THESE OTHERS ARE ATLANTIAN SCIENTISTS!

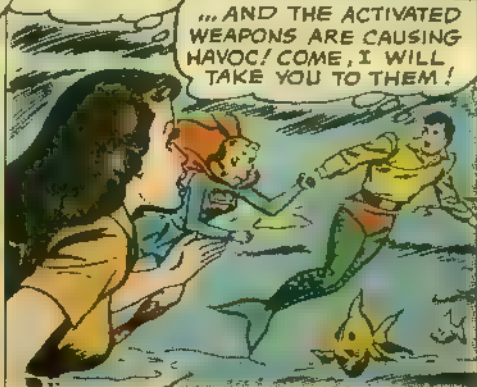
AND I AM JERRO, A SCIENTIST'S SON! PLEASED TO MEET YOU!

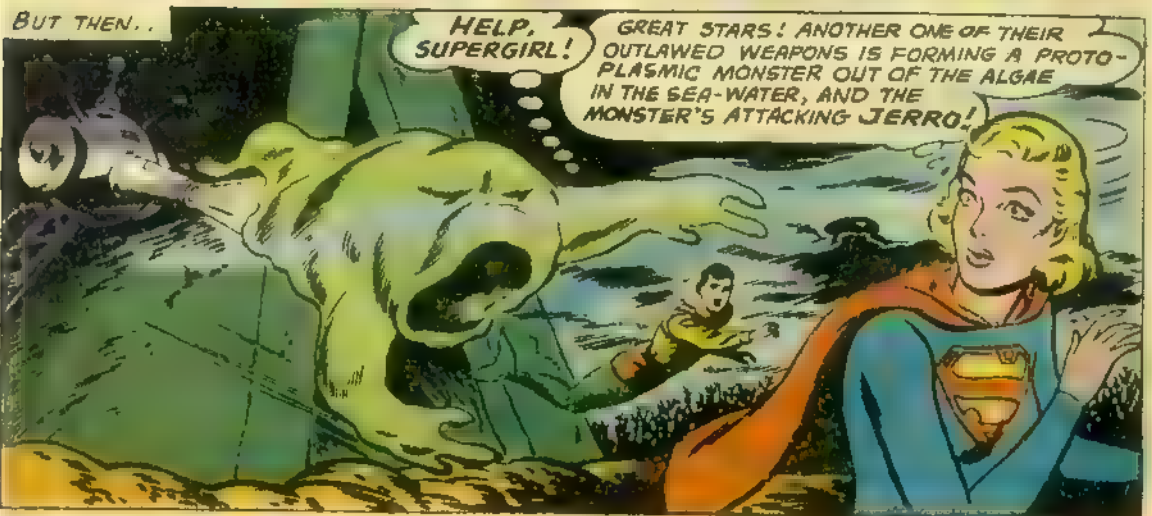
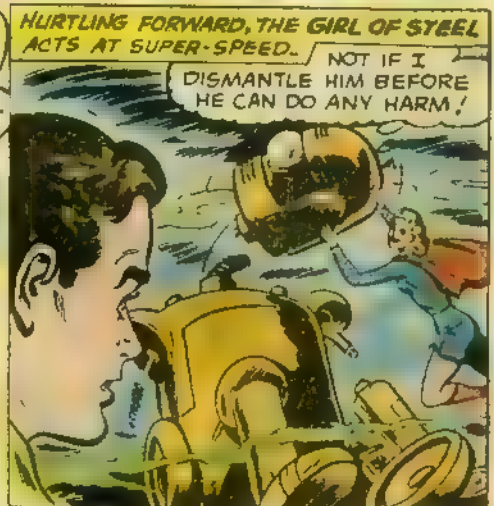
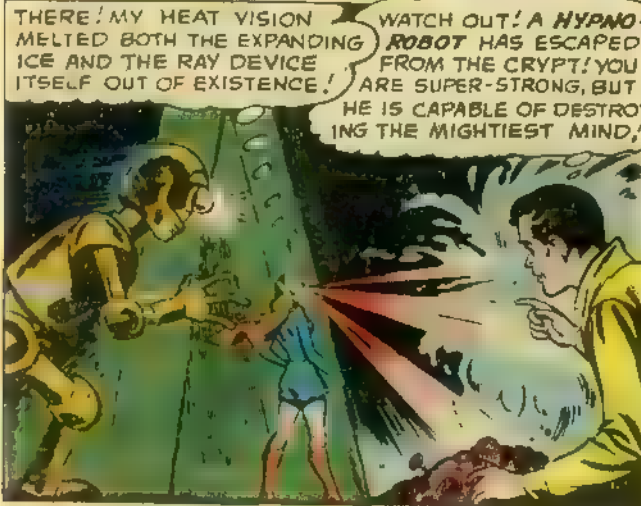
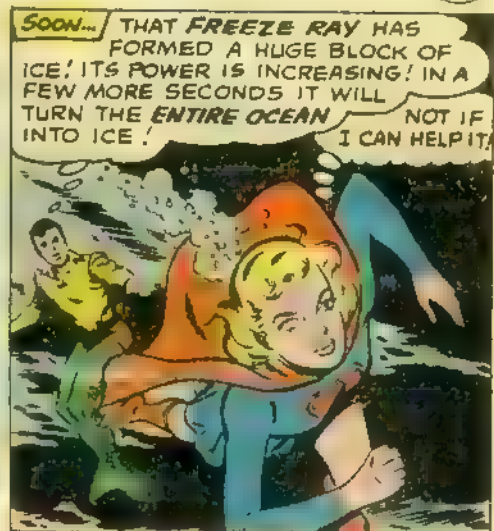
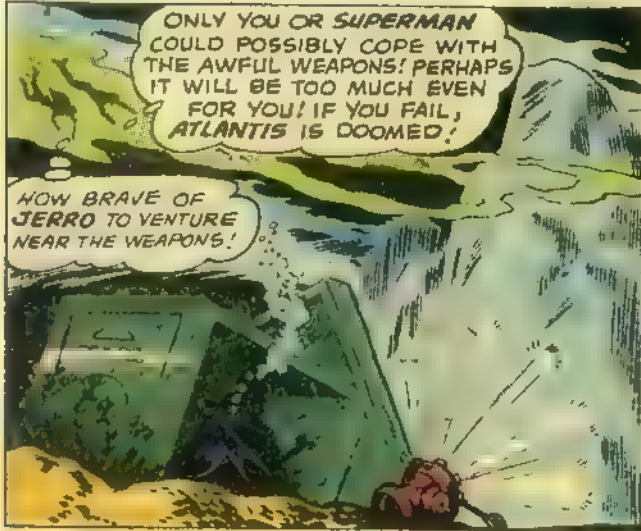
WHAT MENACE THREATENS ATLANTIS?

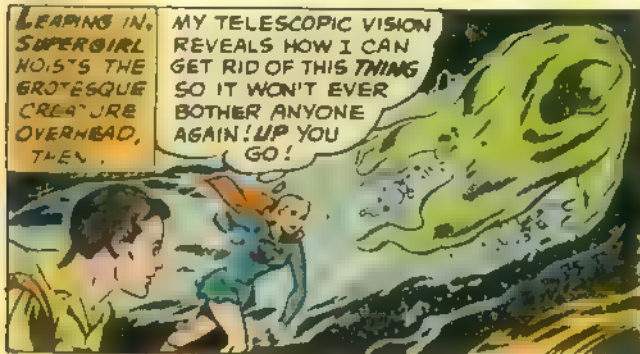


AGES AGO, OUR ANCESTORS CREATED FANTASTIC WEAPONS SO TERRIBLE, THAT THEY WERE OUTLAWED! THE WEAPONS WERE BURIED IN AN UNDERSEA CRYPT, AND NOW A WHALE HAS KNOCKED OVER THE CRYPT...

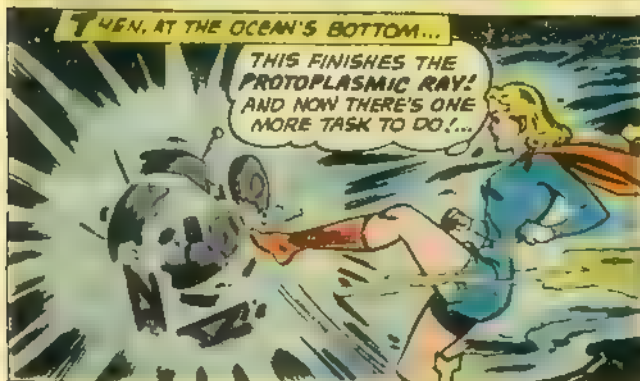
...AND THE ACTIVATED WEAPONS ARE CAUSING HAVOC! COME, I WILL TAKE YOU TO THEM!







INTO OUTER SPACE, THE BEAST IS FLUNG BY SUPERGIRL'S MIGHTY TOSS, DIRECTLY INTO THE HEART OF THE FLAMING SUN...



SWIFTLY, SUPERGIRL'S FISTS POUND THE CRYPT AND ITS CONTENTS INTO TINY FRAGMENTS...



JERRO TELEPATHICALLY SAID I WAS LOVELY! AND HE MEANT IT, TOO! I CAN TELL! ...HE'S ... HANDSOME...

AS THEY RETURN TO LORI AND THE OTHERS...



TRAINED FISH... SWIMMING
IN FORMATION TO
SPELL OUT A MESSAGE
IN ENGLISH!

HOORAY FOR
SUPERGIRL!

THANK YOU FOR
SAVING OUR WORLD WITH
YOUR MIGHTY POWERS,
SUPERGIRL! YOU HAVE THE
GRATITUDE OF ALL ATLANTIS!

PLEASE REMAIN
AWHILE, AND ALLOW
US TO SHOW OUR
APPRECIATION WITH
A PAGEANT IN YOUR
HONOR!

I'D LOVE TO... BUT I
CAN'T STAY LONG!

WHILE THE PAGEANT
IS BEING ARRANGED,
I'LL SHOW YOU THE
WONDERS OF
ATLANTIS!

THE INCREDIBLE TOUR BEGINS...

THAT GIANT STONE
STATUE...! WHAT
A WISE FACE
IT HAS!

IT IS A
MEMORIAL TO
NAR LEMARIS,
WHO WAS A GREAT
ANCESTOR OF LORI'S!
IT WAS HE WHO DISCOVERED
HOW TO CONVERT THE
SURVIVORS OF SUNKEN
ATLANTIS INTO...

NAR LEMARIS

"MERMEN AND MERMAIDS! THANKS TO NAR
LEMARIS, WE WERE ABLE TO DISPOSE OF THE
GREAT GLASS DOME PROTECTING OUR SUNKEN
CONTINENT FROM THE SEA! HE WAS THE GREAT
ARCHITECT OF A NEW RACE!"

THIS IS ONE OF OUR MARINE FARMS!
HERE, WE RAISE FOOD CREATED
ESPECIALLY FOR OUR UNIQUE NEEDS!
OUR SCIENTISTS DEVELOPED FOOD
PRODUCTS THAT CAN THRIVE AT
THE SEA BOTTOM!

AMAZING!



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THEN, AS JERRO SWIMS BESIDE SUPERGIRL ABOVE A THRIVING UNDERSEA CITY...

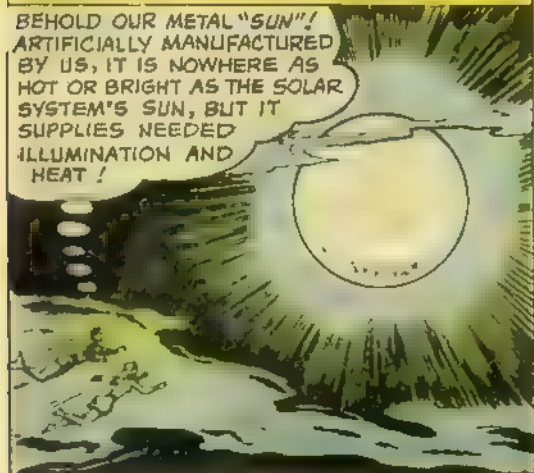


WE, TOO, HAVE CITIES, JUST AS YOU ON THE SURFACE WORLD DO! OUR VEHICLES ARE WATER-JET PROPELLED SLEDS!

I LIKE HIS SMILE!

AND AS THEY SWIM EVEN HIGHER...

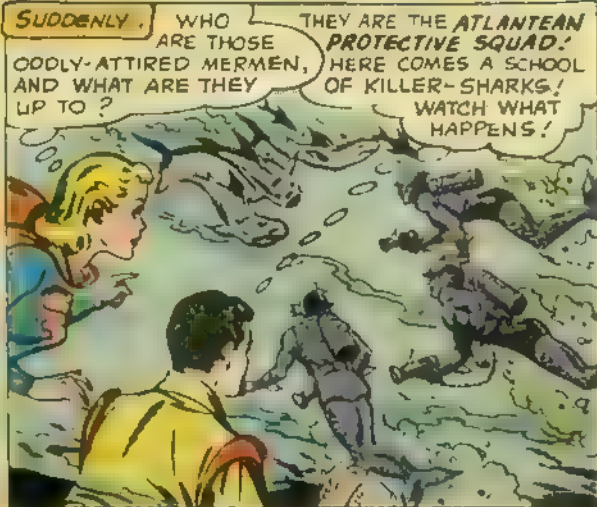
BEHOLD OUR METAL "SUN"! ARTIFICIALLY MANUFACTURED BY US, IT IS NOWHERE AS HOT OR BRIGHT AS THE SOLAR SYSTEM'S SUN, BUT IT SUPPLIES NEEDED ILLUMINATION AND HEAT!



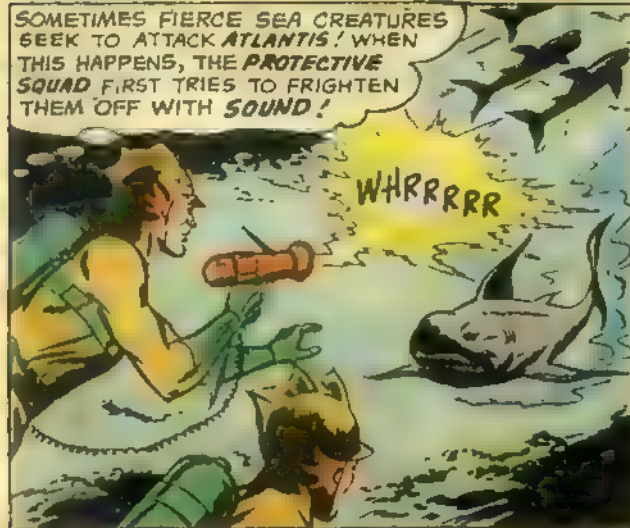
SUDDENLY...

WHO ARE THOSE ODDLY-ATTIRED MERMEN, AND WHAT ARE THEY UP TO?

THEY ARE THE ATLANTEAN PROTECTIVE SQUAD! HERE COMES A SCHOOL OF KILLER-SHARKS! WATCH WHAT HAPPENS!

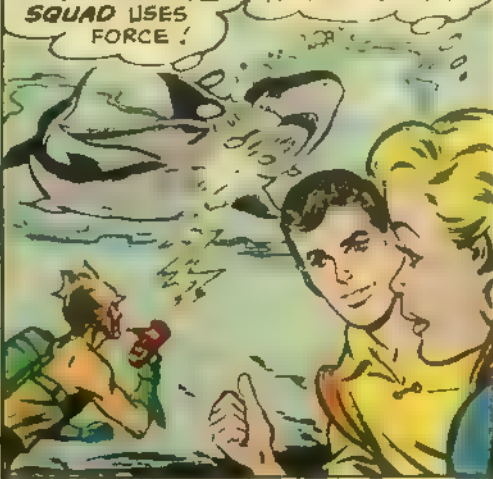


SOMETIMES FIERCE SEA CREATURES SEEK TO ATTACK ATLANTIS! WHEN THIS HAPPENS, THE PROTECTIVE SQUAD FIRST TRIES TO FRIGHTEN THEM OFF WITH SOUND!



SHOULD THAT FAIL, THE PROTECTIVE SQUAD USES FORCE!

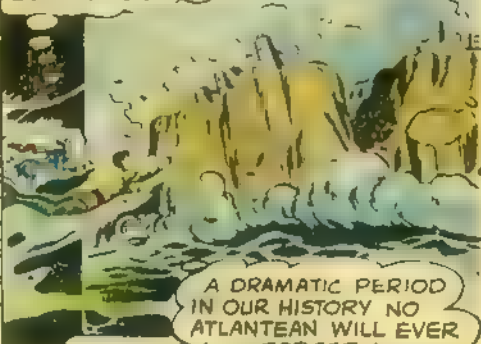
BUT ONLY AS A LAST RESORT!



NEXT, JERRO LEADS THE GIRL OF STEEL INTO A GIGANTIC UNDERSEA MUSEUM. TREASURES AND RELICS OF MANY BYGONE ERAS! FROM ANCIENT ROME, IMPERIAL SPAIN... AND THE LAND OF THE VIKINGS!



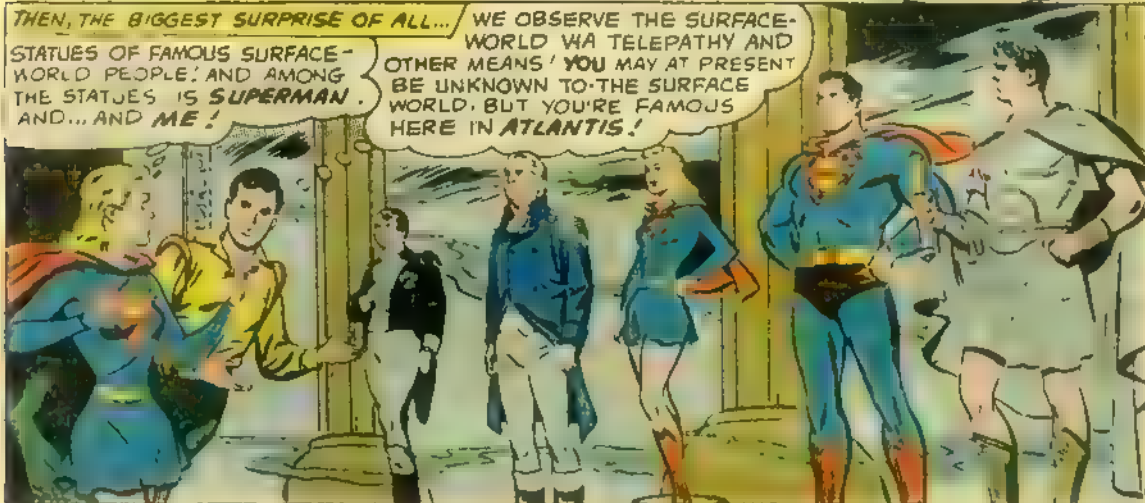
GASP! WHAT A TREMENDOUS MASTERPIECE OF ART! OBVIOUSLY, IT ILLUSTRATES HOW ATLANTIS SANK BENEATH THE WAVES EONS AGO!



A DRAMATIC PERIOD IN OUR HISTORY NO ATLANTEAN WILL EVER FORGET!

THEN, THE BIGGEST SURPRISE OF ALL... STATUES OF FAMOUS SURFACE-WORLD PEOPLE! AND AMONG THE STATUES IS SUPERMAN. AND... AND ME!

WE OBSERVE THE SURFACE-WORLD VIA TELEPATHY AND OTHER MEANS! YOU MAY AT PRESENT BE UNKNOWN TO THE SURFACE WORLD, BUT YOU'RE FAMOUS HERE IN ATLANTIS!



ACTUALLY, I... HAVE LONG ADMIRERD YOU FROM AFAR. MEETING YOU IS A WONDERFUL THRILL! YOU'RE EVEN CUTER, IN PERSON!

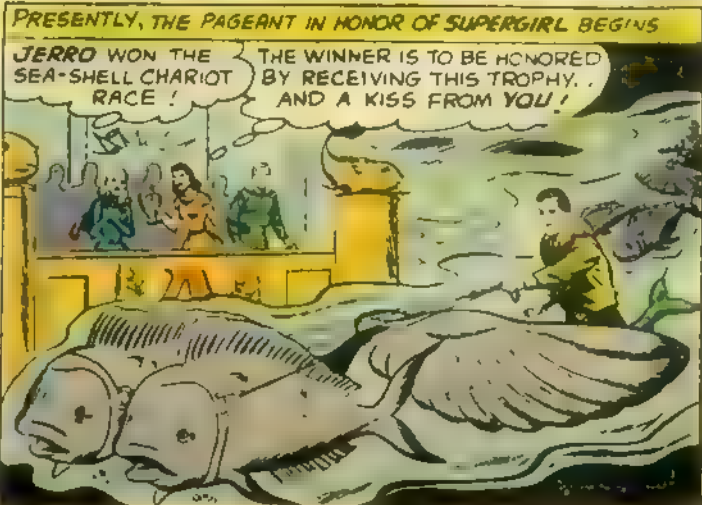
YOU'RE SWEET TO SAY THAT, JERRO...!



PRESENTLY, THE PAGEANT IN HONOR OF SUPERGIRL BEGINS

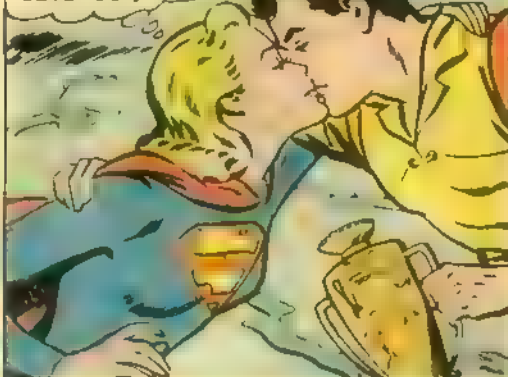
JERRO WON THE SEA-SHELL CHARIOT RACE!

THE WINNER IS TO BE HONORED BY RECEIVING THIS TROPHY... AND A KISS FROM YOU!



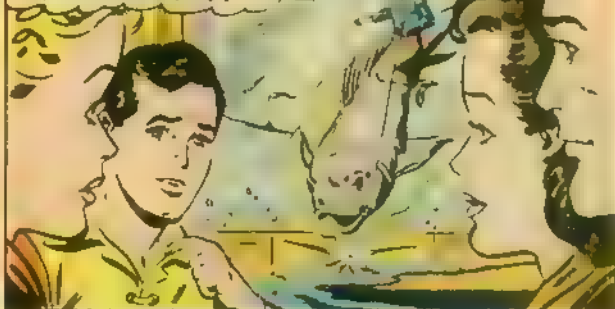
BUT AS SUPERGIRL OBLIGES

MMM! I I NEVER FELT LIKE THIS BEFORE OH, GOSH! I ALMOST WISH HE NEVER LETS GO.



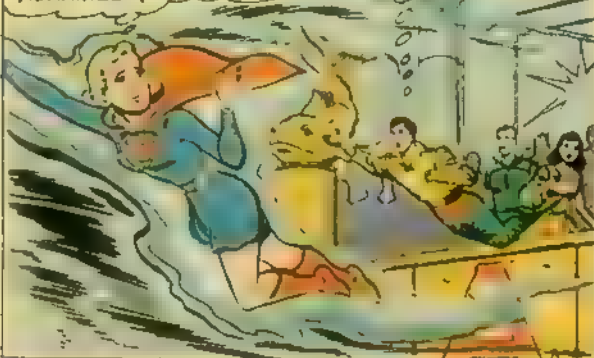
THEN, AS JERRO JOIN SUPERGIRL TO WATCH THE NEXT EVENT...

I'LL NEVER, NEVER FORGET THAT KISS! MY FIRST FROM A BOY! I... MUST BE FALLING IN LOVE WITH JERRO, AND I THINK HE CARES FOR ME TOO! HMM... WHY IS HE LOOKING AT ME SO STRANGELY??



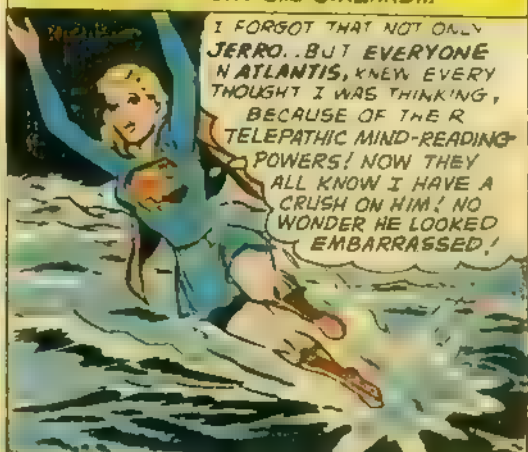
AS A HUMILIATING THOUGHT OCCURS TO THE GIRL OF STEEL, SHE SWIMS SWIFTLY AWAY IN SUDDEN DISMAY...

THANK YOU, EVERYONE, BUT I--I MUST RETURN TO MY WORLD NOW! OH, I'M SO ASHAMED!



EASILY, SUPERGIRL OUTDISTANCES JERRO, THEN UP INTO THE SKY SHE STREAKS...

I FORGOT THAT NOT ONLY JERRO... BUT EVERYONE IN ATLANTIS, KNEW EVERY THOUGHT I WAS THINKING, BECAUSE OF THE TELEPATHIC MIND-READING POWERS! NOW THEY ALL KNOW I HAVE A CRUSH ON HIM! NO WONDER HE LOOKED EMBARRASSED!



BUT AS SUPERGIRL FLIES HOMEWARD THROUGH SCREENING RAIN-CLOUDS...

UH-OH! THE LINDA-WIG FELL OUT OF THE POUCH IN MY CLOAK... BUT I'VE CAUGHT IT!



RETURNING UNSEEN TO MIDVALE ORPHANAGE, SHE CHANGES TO LINDA AND SOON AFTERWARD GREETES HER FRIENDS AS THEY ARRIVE...

YOU'RE LUCKY YOU DIDN'T COME ALONG, LINDA! WE ALMOST DROWNED! TELL HER ABOUT IT, FREDDY!

YOU WOULDN'T KNOW A THING ABOUT IT, WOULD YOU, LINDA?

HE'S GOT THAT SUSPICIOUS LOOK!



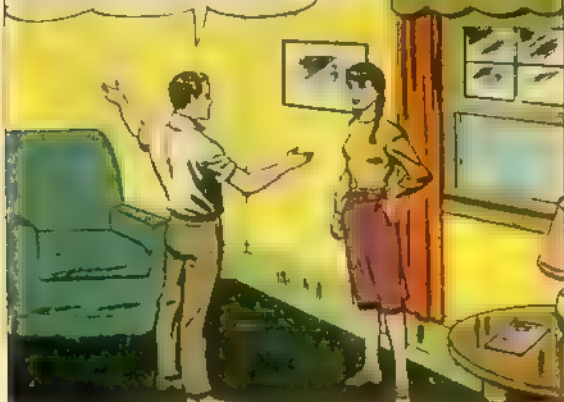


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WE WERE MIRACULOUSLY RESCUED AT SEA BY THE COAST GUARD, IF YOU WERE A **SUPER-GIRL**, YOU COULD HAVE MADE IT **POSSIBLE** FOR THEM TO SAVE US!

WHY DO YOU SAY THAT?



BECAUSE... IF YOU'VE BEEN AT THE ORPHANAGE READING ALL THIS TIME... HOW COME YOUR HAIR IS **WET**?

UHP! THE WIG MUST HAVE BECOME WET WHEN IT FELL OUT OF THE POUCH IN MY CLOAK, AS I FLEW THROUGH THAT RAIN-CLOUD! I'VE GOT TO ACT FAST!



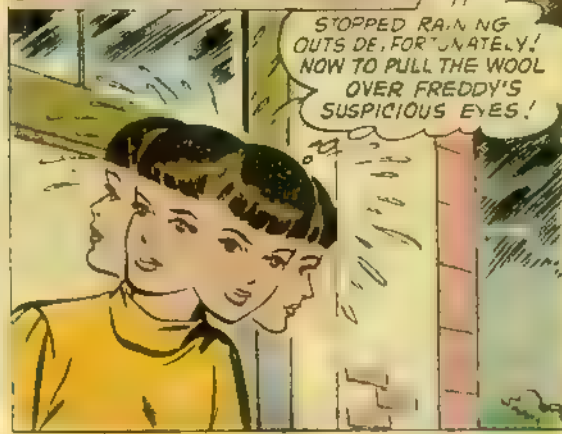
CASUALLY, LINDA LOWERS ONE OF HER ARMS OUTSIDE THE NEARBY OPEN WINDOW, THEN SHE SNAPS HER FINGERS MIGHTILY, AND IN RESPONSE...

WHAT WAS THAT CRASHING NOISE, LINDA?

I'LL LOOK OUT AND SEE, FREDDY!

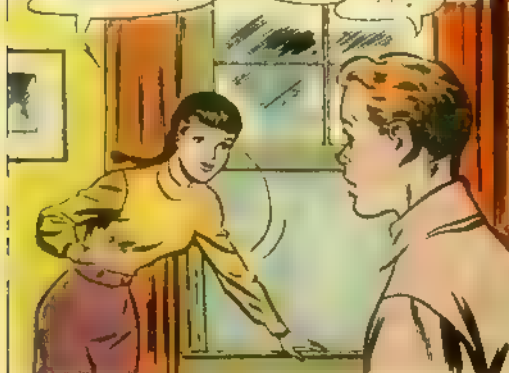


AS LINDA LOOKS OUT THE WINDOW SHE SHAKES HER HEAD SO SUPER-SWIFTLY THAT EVERY DROP OF MOISTURE FLIES OFF HER WIG



THEN... PERHAPS IT WAS THUNDER! YOU WERE SAYING BEFORE I LOOKED OUT THE WINDOW?

HUH? YOUR HAIR ISN'T WET, AFTER ALL! I MUST BE SEEING THINGS! FORGET IT!



FOR THE PRESENT, LINDA HAS HOODWINKED FREDDY BLAKE, BUT THERE IS STILL THE PROBLEM OF HANDSOME **JERRO**...

MERMEEN ONLY MARRY THEIR OWN KIND! A LOVE BETWEEN US MAY BE... IMPOSSIBLE! BUT I CAN'T GET **JERRO** OUT OF MY MIND! I'M HAPPY--YET MISERABLE! WHAT'S HAPPENING TO ME!



(END)

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is **FIDDLER
ON THE ROOF**

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it's **RIDDLER
on the MOVE**

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SUPERGIRL'S SUPER-PET!

EARLY ONE EVENING, AT THE MIDVALE ORPHANAGE

HOW SPECTACULAR THAT METEOR-SHOWER LOOKS... ALMOST LIKE FIREWORKS!

WHA!... MY TELESCOPIC VISION SAW A KRYPTONITE METEOR AMONG THE OTHER METEORS!



QUITELY SLIPPING AWAY FROM THE OTHERS, LINDA LEE REMOVES HER DARK WIG, AND CHANGES TO THE SECRET COSTUME OF SUPERGIRL, THEN



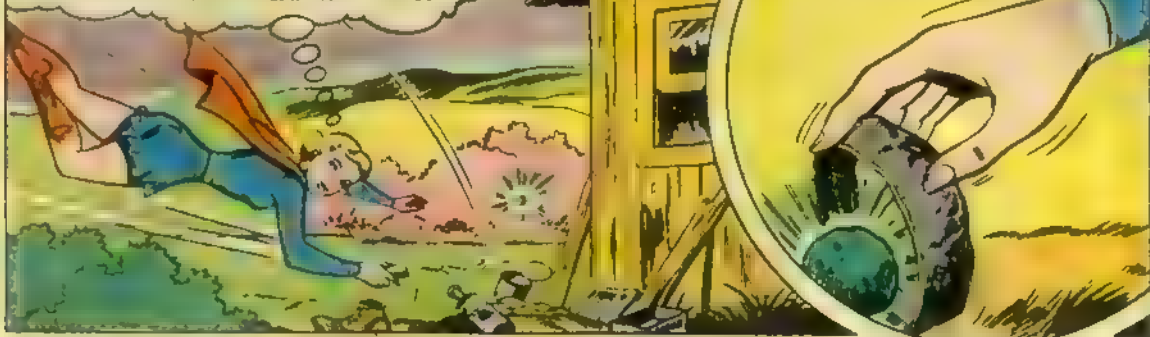


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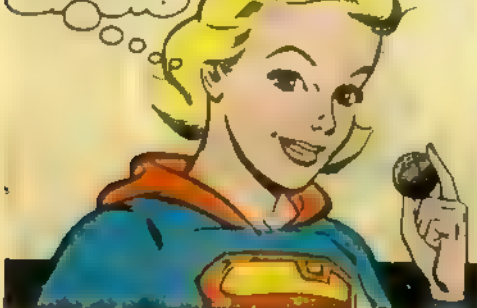
SUPER-SPEED ENABLES SUPERGIRL TO REACH THE KRYPTONITE METEOR THE EXACT MOMENT IT STRIKES EARTH ..

FRICITION WITH THE AIR HAS REDUCED IT TO ABOUT THE SIZE OF A MARBLE! ITS RADIATIONS WOULD PAIN ME TERRIBLY, IF I TOUCHED IT! WAIT! THIS DISCARDED, OLD LEAD COMPACT CAN HELP ME!



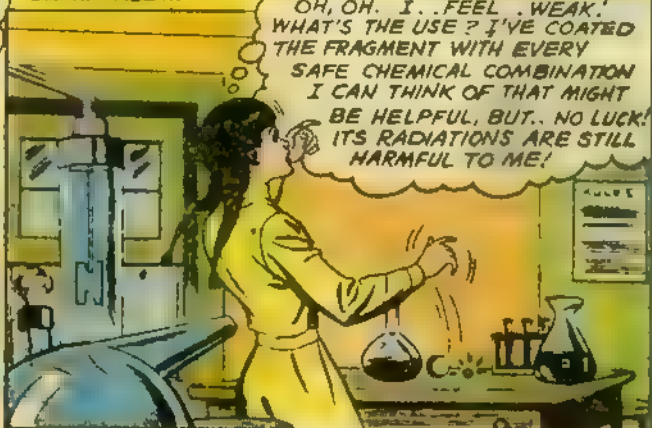
I'LL CRUSH THE COMPACT ABOUT THE KRYPTONITE! THE LEAD WILL PROTECT ME FROM THE PAINFUL RADIATIONS!

HMM... I'VE GOT AN IDEA HOW I CAN DO SUPERMAN AND MYSELF A BIG FAVOR! I'LL EXPERIMENT WITH THIS KRYPTONITE! PERHAPS I CAN DISCOVER AN ANTIDOTE THAT WILL PROTECT US BOTH FROM THE MENACE OF KRYPTONITE!

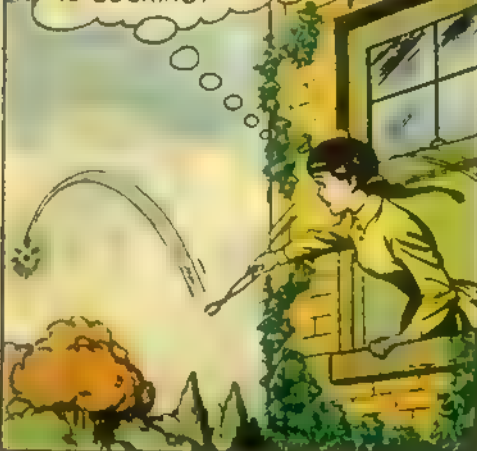


NEXT DAY, IN A SMALL CHEMICAL LABORATORY IN THE ORPHANAGE...

OH, OH. I... FEEL... WEAK! WHAT'S THE USE? I'VE COATED THE FRAGMENT WITH EVERY SAFE CHEMICAL COMBINATION I CAN THINK OF THAT MIGHT BE HELPFUL, BUT... NO LUCK! ITS RADIATIONS ARE STILL HARMFUL TO ME!



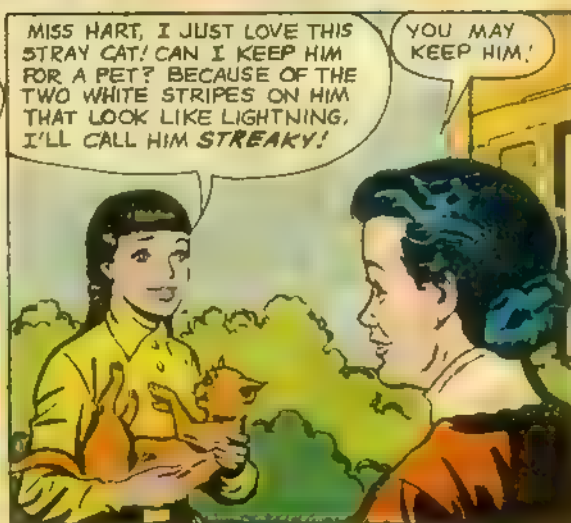
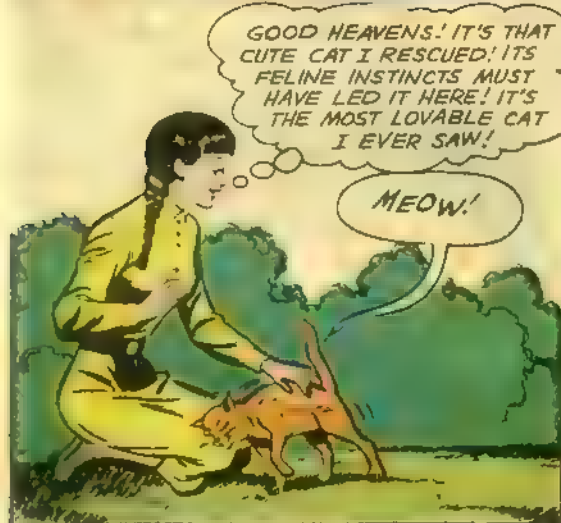
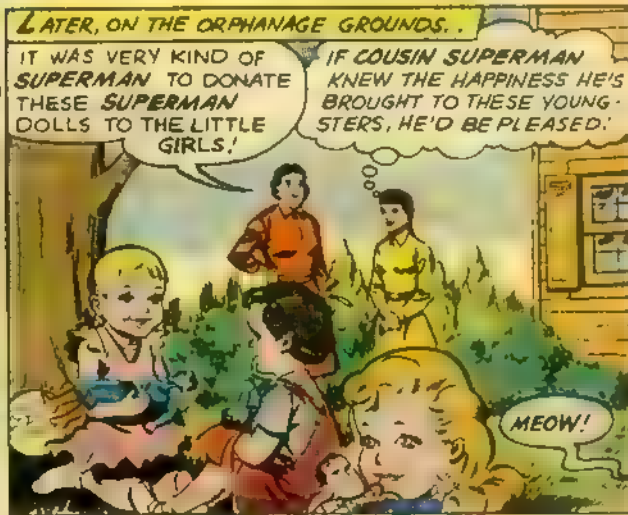
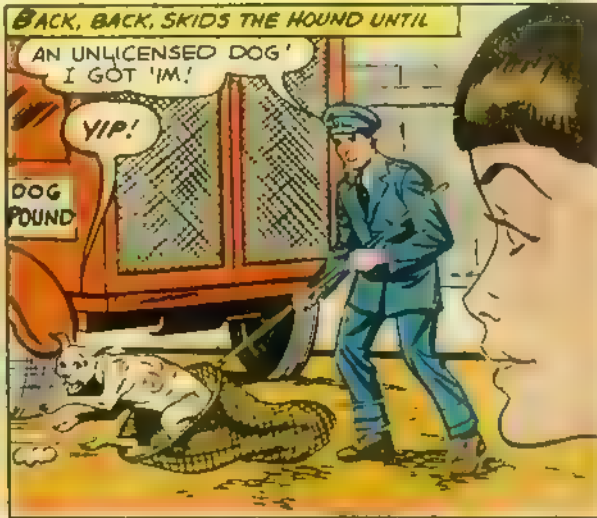
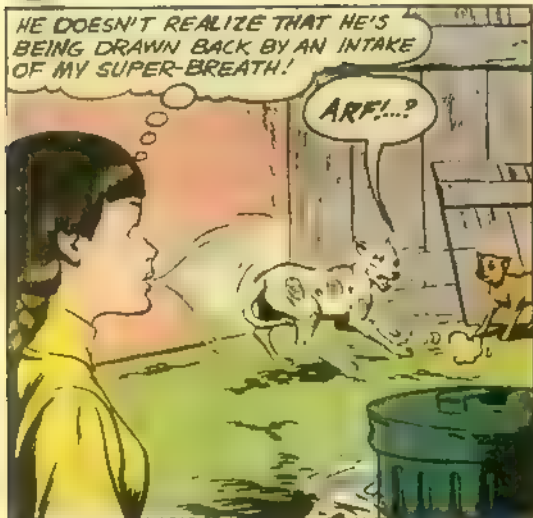
AND SO... TOO BAD THE EXPERIMENT FAILED! I'LL GET RID OF THE KRYPTONITE BY SUPER-TOSSING IT INTO THE WOODS, WHILE NO ONE IS LOOKING!

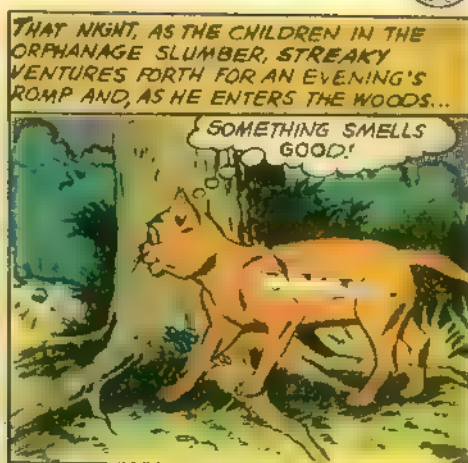
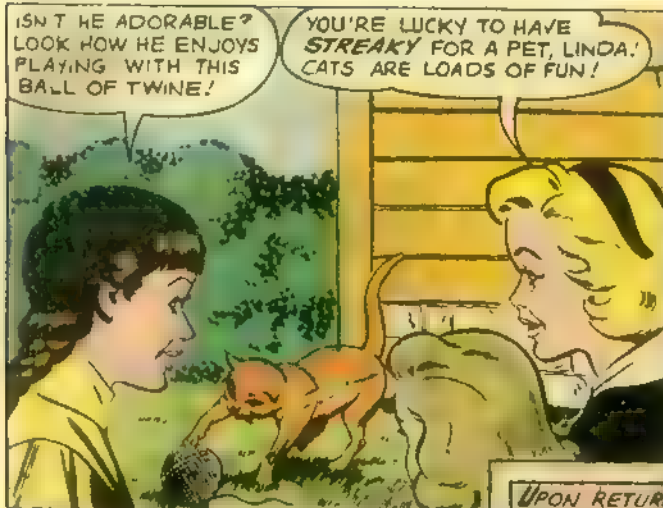


LATER, AS LINDA COMPLETES AN ERRAND IN MIDVALE...

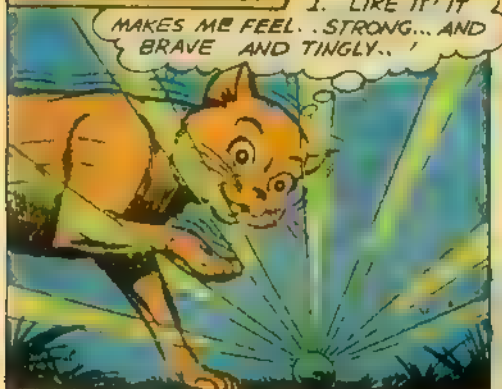
THAT POOR CAT IS BEING ATTACKED BY A VICIOUS DOG!



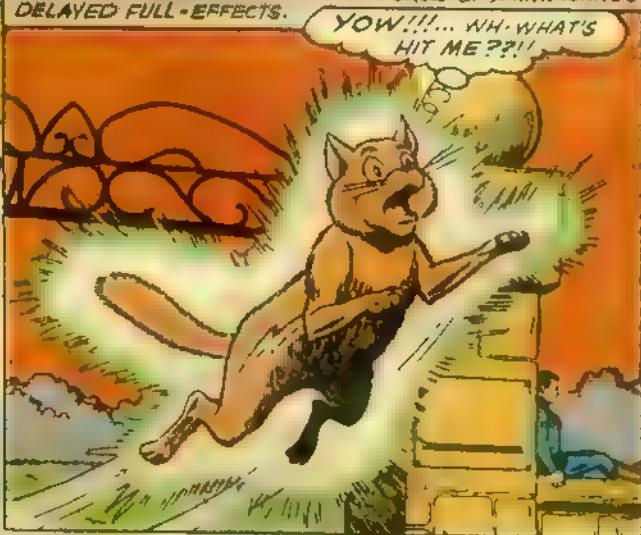




LITTLE DOES **SUPERGIRL'S** PET KNOW IT, BUT HE IS ABSORBING MYSTERIOUS RADIATIONS FROM **X-KRYPTONITE**. SOMETHING NEW UNDER THE SUN, ACCIDENTALLY CREATED BY LINDA WHEN SHE HAD EXPERIMENTED WITH THE CHEMICALS!



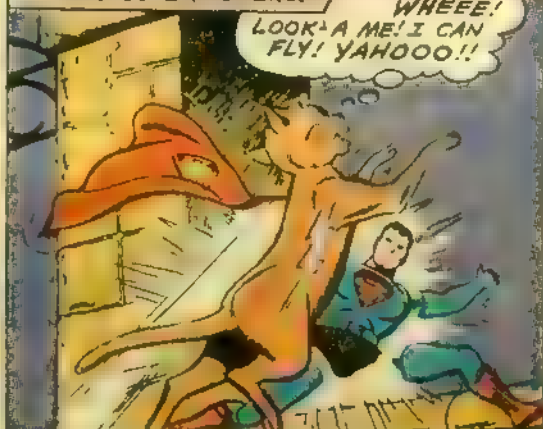
UPON RETURNING TO THE ORPHANAGE, **STREAKY** IS SUDDENLY STRUCK BY THE FULL FORCE OF **X-KRYPTONITE'S** DELAYED FULL-EFFECTS.



...THE RESULTS ARE ASTOUNDING!



AMAZINGLY, DUE TO THE UNIQUE COMBINATION OF CHEMICALS IN **X-KRYPTONITE**, IT HAS GIVEN **STREAKY** SUPER-POWERS!



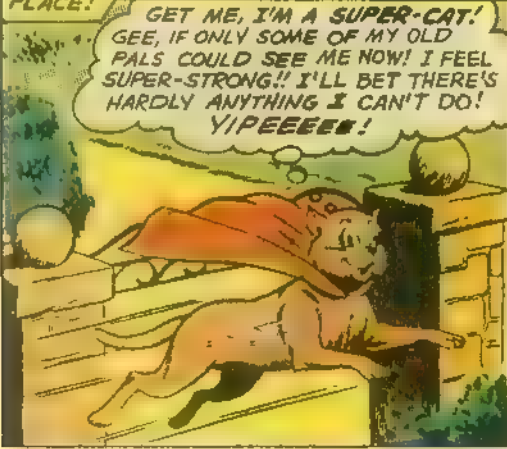


GIANT SUPERGIRL



AS STREAKY ROCKETS THROUGH THE AIR, THE CAPE FROM THE SHATTERED **SUPERMAN** DROPS DOWN OVER HIS HEAD, SNUGLY INTO PLACE!

GET ME, I'M A **SUPER-CAT**! GEE, IF ONLY SOME OF MY OLD PALS COULD SEE ME NOW! I FEEL **SUPER-STRONG**!! I'LL BET THERE'S HARDLY ANYTHING I CAN'T DO! **YIPEEEEE!**



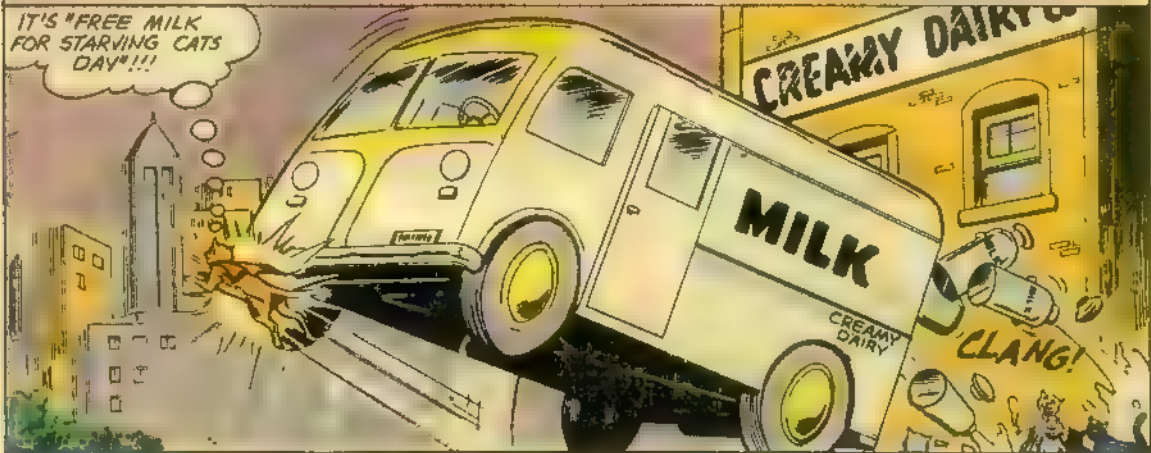
THROUGH THE SKY WHIZZES THE MIGHTIEST CAT OF THEM ALL...

AW-WWW, LOOK AT THOSE SKINNY ALLEY-CATS! THEY LOOK HALF-STARVED, POOR THINGS! HEY!! I JUST GOT A GREAT IDEA!



ZIPPING UNDER THE MILK-TRUCK'S FRONT BUMPER, STREAKY LEAPS POWERFULLY UPWARD, AND...

IT'S "FREE MILK FOR STARVING CATS DAY"!!!



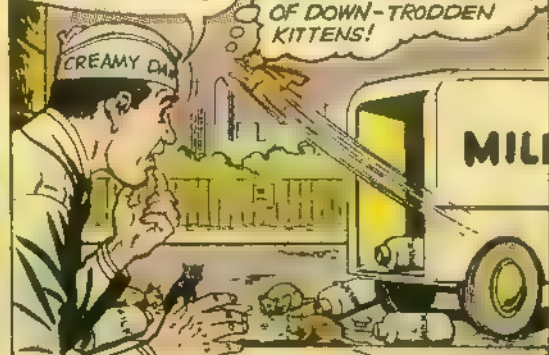
HA! HA! ENJOY YOURSELVES, PALS! THE DRINKS ARE ON STREAKY!!



DELIGHTED WITH HIS GOOD DEED, STREAKY SPEEDS OFF...

IMPOSSIBLE! THOSE CATS COULDN'T POSSIBLY HAVE TIPPED OVER THOSE HEAVY MILK-CANS, THEMSELVES!

SAY, I COULD MAKE A CAREER OUT OF THIS! I COULD BECOME STREAKY THE SUPER CAT, FAMOUS SUPER-RESCUER OF DOWN-TRODDEN KITTENS!



SOON, THE MIGHTIEST CAT IN THE WORLD COMES FACE-TO-FACE WITH A FOE.

UHP! H-HE'S
LOOKING
FOR
TROUBLE!

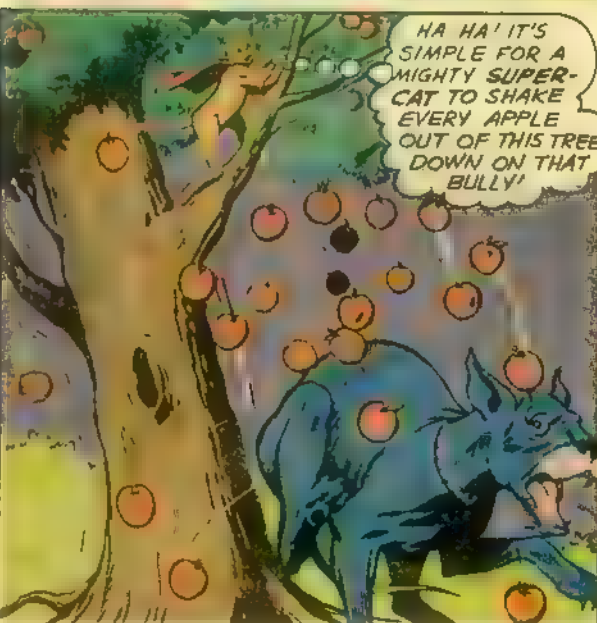
WELL, WELL! LOOK WHO'S
HERE! A RUNTY CAT, WEAR-
ING A FANCY CAPE! I
DON'T LIKE DUDES!



FRANTICALLY OVERWHELMED BY HIS DOG-FEAR-
ING INSTINCTS, STREAKY LEAPS UP ONTO A TREE

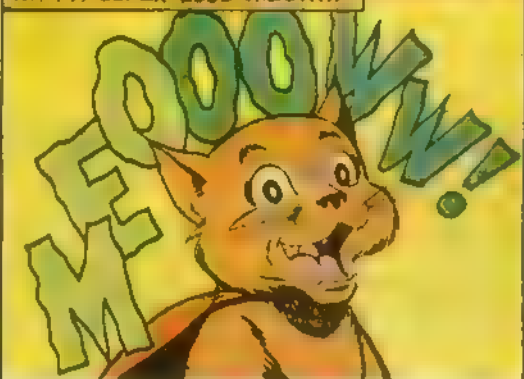
C'MON DOWN,
YA COWARD!
GRRRRROWW!

HEY, WAIT A MINUTE! WHAT
AM I AFRAID OF? I'M THE
TOUGHEST CAT IN CREATION,
AIN'T I? IMAGINE ME FOR-
GETTING THAT! NOW TO GIVE
THAT BIG OAF A
SURPRISE!



HA HA! IT'S
SIMPLE FOR A
MIGHTY SUPER-
CAT TO SHAKE
EVERY APPLE
OUT OF THIS TREE
DOWN ON THAT
BULLY!

TRIUMPHANTLY, THE SUPER-CAT LETS LOOSE
WITH A SUPER-LOUD MEOW...



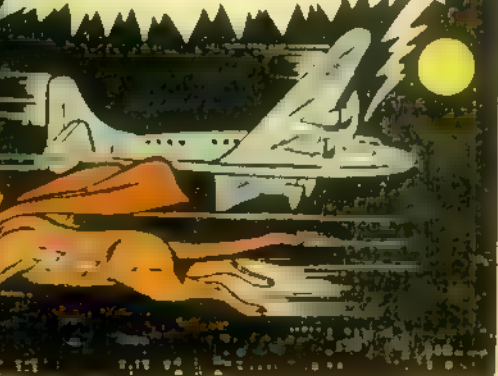
AWAKENED BY THE EAR-SPLITTING NOISE, LINDA CHANGES
TO SUPERGIRL AND FLASHES INTO ACTION...

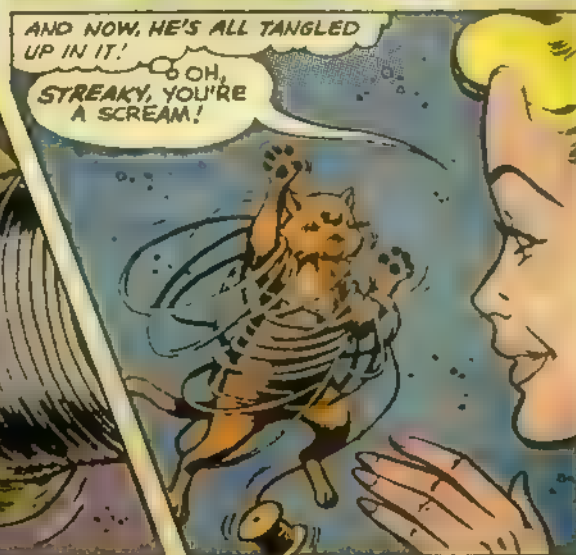
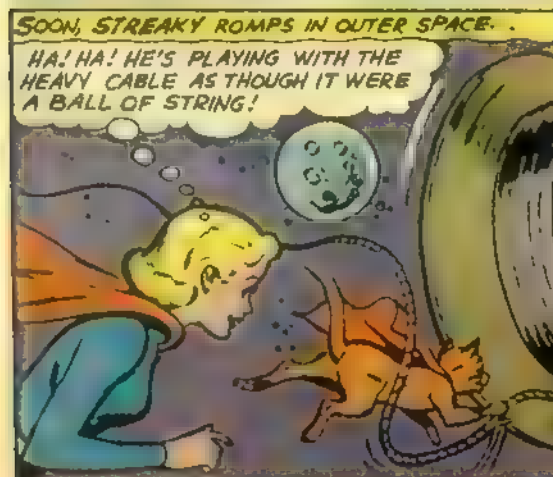
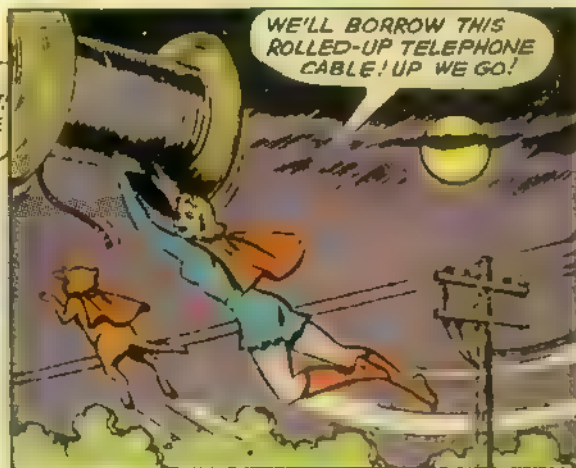
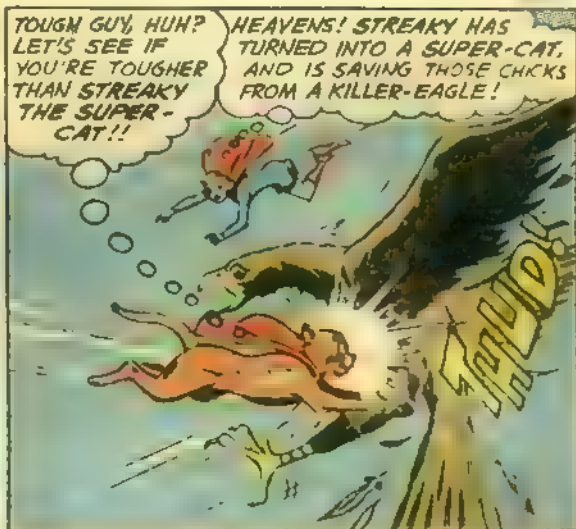
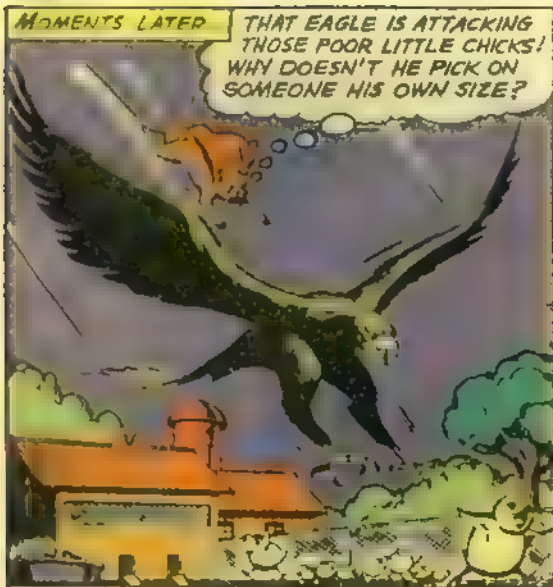
THAT'S STREAKY'S UNMISTAKABLE
MEOW... MAGNIFIED 50 TIMES
LOUDER THAN USUAL! WHAT IN
THE WORLD IS GOING ON??



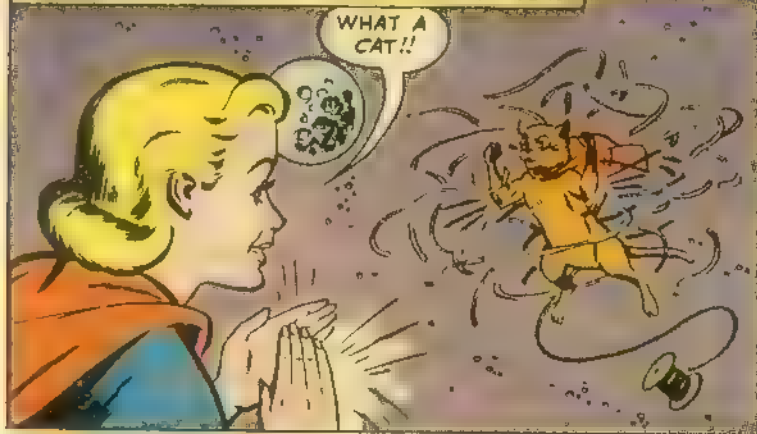
ON WHIZZES STREAKY, TOWARD GREATER
ADVENTURES...

PILOT TO GROUND!
UNIDENTIFIED FLYING MISSILE JUST
WHIZZED PAST! GULP! I C-CAN
SWEAR IT'S... A CAT!





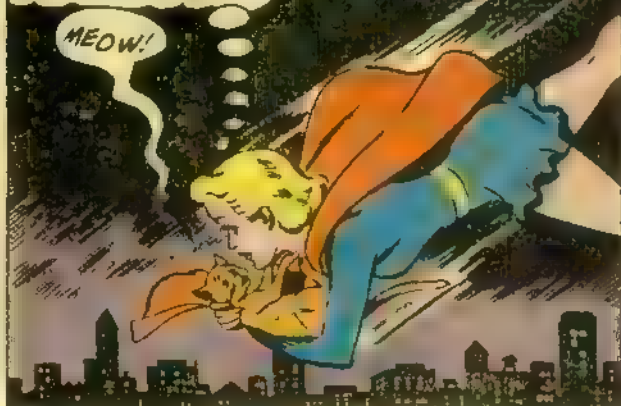
A MIGHTY SURGE OF HIS SUPER-MUSCLES, AND STREAKY BURSTS THE METAL CABLE COILS INTO BROKEN FRAGMENTS...



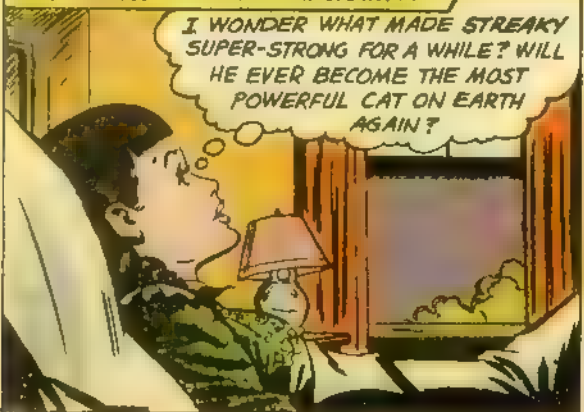
SUDDENLY, AS THEY FLY EARTHWARD, DISASTER STRIKES!



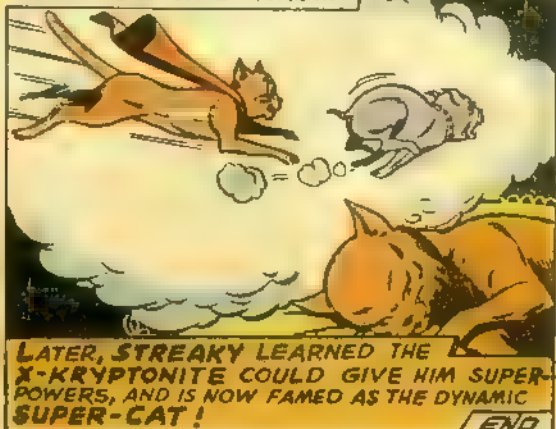
HE'S HIS MEER, MILD OLD SELF AGAIN! SOMEHOW, HE'S LOST HIS SUPER-POWERS! HE IS AN ORDINARY CAT, AGAIN!



REVERTING TO HER OTHER IDENTITY, LINDA IS VERY PUZZLED, SINCE SHE IS UNAWARE OF THE EXISTENCE OF X-KRYPTONITE AND THAT ITS AMAZING EFFECT ON STREAKY IS ONLY TEMPORARY...



AS FOR STREAKY, HE DREAMS OF THE GLORY THAT WILL BE HIS IF HE EVER BECOMES SUPER-CAT ONCE MORE...



END



SUPERGIRL'S

TWO SETS OF PARENTS



For a period of two years after her arrival on Earth, while she lived at the Midvale Orphanage, Linda (Supergirl) Lee longed for parents to adopt her, to replace the mother and father she had lost when Argo City was destroyed.

Then, one day, Linda's reason for not allowing herself to be adopted vanished. Mysteriously, all her super-powers left her! Unknown to her, the scheming villainess, Lesla-Lar, Supergirl's double in the bottle-city of Kandor, had robbed her of her super-abilities. It was Lesla-Lar's plan to take Linda's place on Earth and use the super-powers she'd have outside the bottle for crime. But before she could carry out this plan, the Kandorian police arrested her for engaging in illegal experiments. Ironically, her crime against Supergirl was not discovered! Later on, Lesla-Lar's villainy backfired when she was killed by villains she herself had freed from the Phantom Zone.

Linda, meantime, had become an ordinary girl, with no powers, so she jumped at the chance to be adopted by Fred and Edna Danvers. However, she didn't tell her new parents who she really was, nor where she came from.

Just as she was becoming used to her non-super life, fate took a hand. Mr. Mxyzptlk, the 5th-dimensional imp, thought it would be fun to embarrass Superman by making a girl as powerful as he was—and the Silly Sprite picked Linda! Since his magic merely undid Lesla-Lar's villainous work and restored Supergirl to normal, the spell did not vanish when he returned to his own world. So, with her abilities back, Linda once more began to operate secretly in her super-identity. Only now she had to do so without letting her foster parents know her secret.

Soon after this, Superman decided that her training period was over. It was time to reveal his cousin's existence to the world. But before he made the announcement, Linda was forced to disclose her secret to Mr. and Mrs. Danvers. The family was driving over an old bridge when the rickety structure collapsed. Linda had to fly out of the car, catch it, and carry it to safety. Then she explained her identity and origin to her dumbfounded foster parents. The very next day, Superman introduced the Maid of Steel to the public; though, of course, he did not reveal her other identity.

Linda lived happily with the Danvers' for some time. But then, one night, she dreamed of her real parents, Zor-El and Allura, of Argo City. They seemed to be telling her they were alive! The following night, the dream recurred, and Supergirl began wondering whether it might be true. Sure enough, Comet, the telepathic Super-Horse, had

picked up a faint thought from Zor-El saying he and Allura were in some "Zone." Yet investigation proved it was not the Phantom Zone.

Supergirl then used Superman's Chronoscope, a device for overtaking light waves and thus showing what happened in the past. She observed once more the catastrophe which overtook Argo City when a meteor shower exposed the deadly Kryptonite ground beneath the city's lead shielding. But now she discovered something she had never known. Before sending her to Earth, Zor-El had experimented with a ray designed to send the people of the doomed city into the Survival Zone, which was similar to the Phantom one, but on a different wave-length. He had tried the ray on himself and Allura, after setting the machine's time-controls to return them a few minutes later. But when the ray struck them, nothing happened. Frustrated, Zor-El destroyed the machine. Then he rocketed his daughter, Kara, to Earth.

However, as they awaited their inevitable fate, Supergirl's parents suddenly started to vanish. The Survival Zone Ray had worked, but on a *delayed* action basis! And, with the ray-machine destroyed, they were trapped in the Zone.

Supergirl set about finding a way to free her parents from their dimensional prison. But she did not tell Mr. and Mrs. Danvers that her real parents were alive, for fear of hurting their feelings.

One evening, when her foster parents were at a movie, Supergirl built a monitor with a hyper-sensitive screen which enabled her to communicate with Zor-El and Allura. Her father told her how to make an ionic ray to release them. She was just activating it when Fred and Edna Danvers walked in. A partial failure at the power plant had forced the movie house to shut down early; and now that same lack of power threatened to destroy the Survival Zone dwellers. Instead of entering the material world, Zor-El and Allura began to fade as their atomic structure was suddenly compressed. Only Fred Danvers' skill as an electronics engineer saved the day. He corrected the circuits and Supergirl's real parents emerged from the Survival Zone, free at last.

But which of the two sets of parents would the Girl of Steel live with? Zor-El solved that problem when he and Allura went to dwell in Kandor. Since that was the only surviving city of their home world, Krypton, it was the one place they could lead a normal life. And thus it is that the lonely girl in the orphanage came to have two sets of parents—one in the outside world, where she lives as Linda Lee Danvers, and the other in the bottle-city, where she can visit them whenever she wishes.

SUPERGIRL'S FORTRESS of SOLITUDE!

GENTLEMEN, WE HAVE STUMBLED ON A SECRET OF SUCH STAGGERING IMPORTANCE-- THE EXISTENCE OF A **SUPERGIRL** ON EARTH-- THAT WE MUST AT ONCE VOLUNTARILY ERASE ALL MEMORY OF IT FROM OUR MINDS, THROUGH HYPNOTISM! AGREED?

OF COURSE **SUPERGIRL** MUST REMAIN **SUPERMAN**'S SECRET EMERGENCY WEAPON... **AGREED!!** WE ARE READY!



ONE DAY, WHEN **SUPERMAN** IS OFF ON A SPACE MISSION...

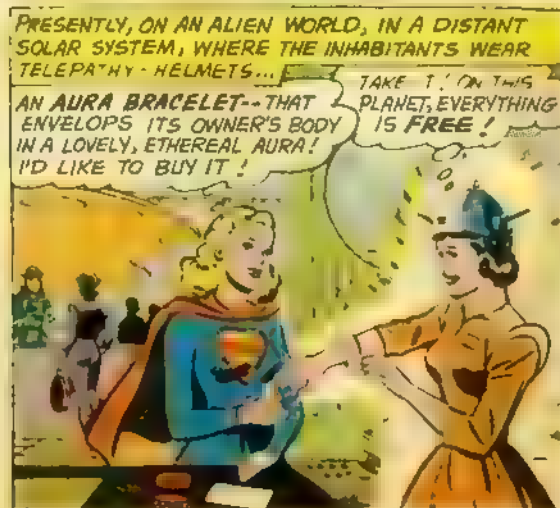
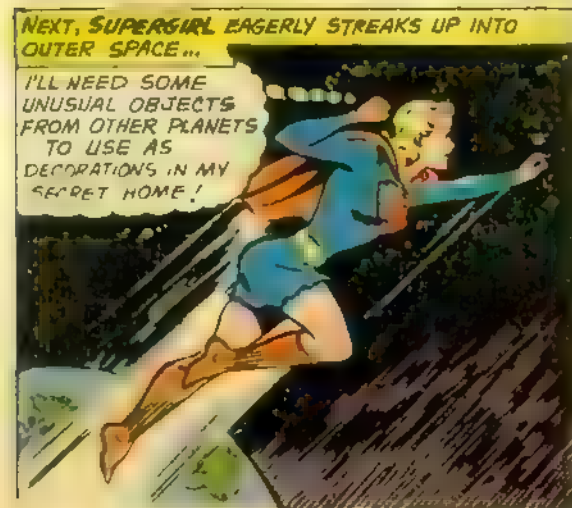
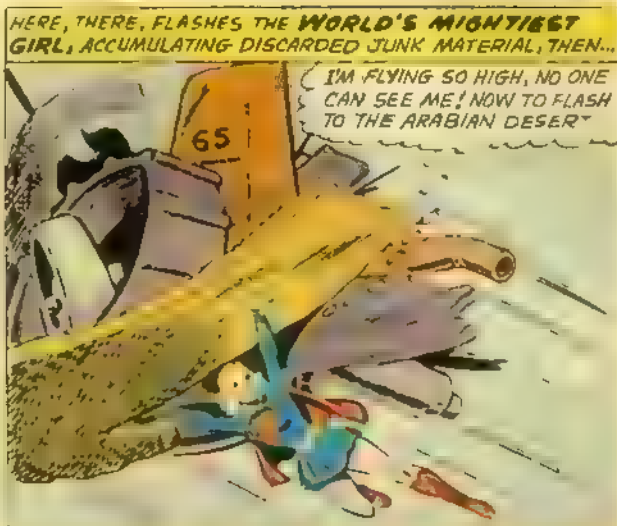
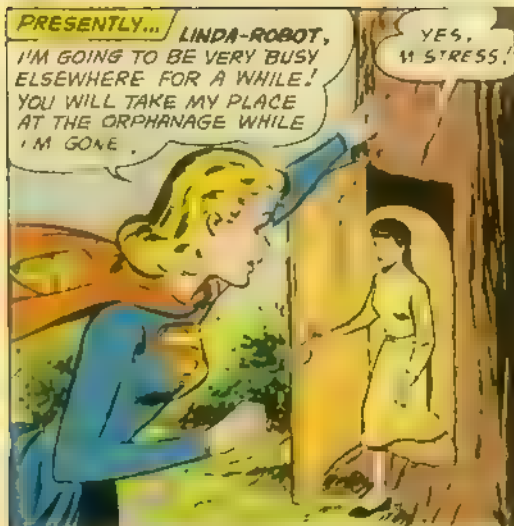
I LOVE COUSIN **SUPERMAN**, BUT...IF IT WEREN'T FOR MY PROMISE TO REMAIN HIS SECRET EMERGENCY WEAPON AS **SUPERGIRL**, I COULD BE ADOPTED AND HAVE A HOME LIKE OTHER KIDS!



SUDDENLY AN INSPIRATION IS BORN, AND **LINDA** HURRIES TO HER ROOM AND CHANGES TO HER DYNAMIC IDENTITY OF **SUPERGIRL**...

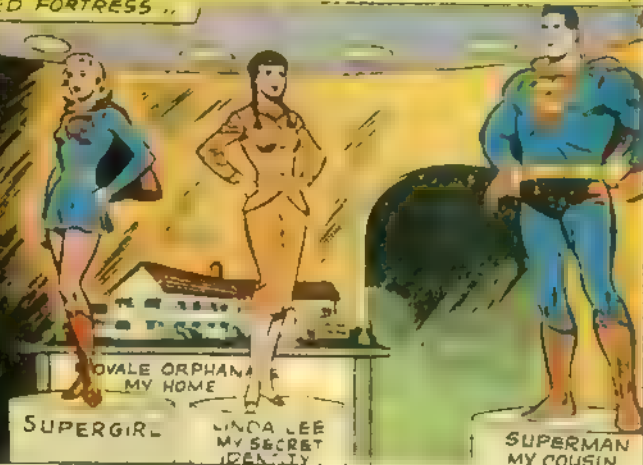
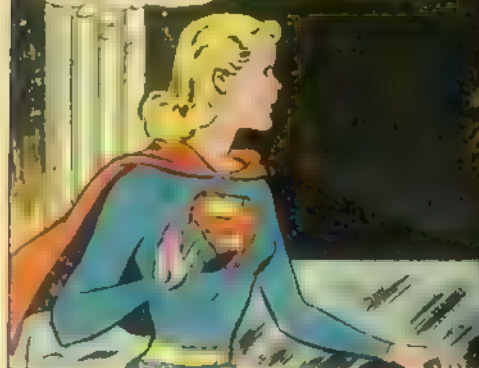
WAIT! **SUPERMAN** HAS A SECRET HOME OF HIS OWN, AND SO CAN I!



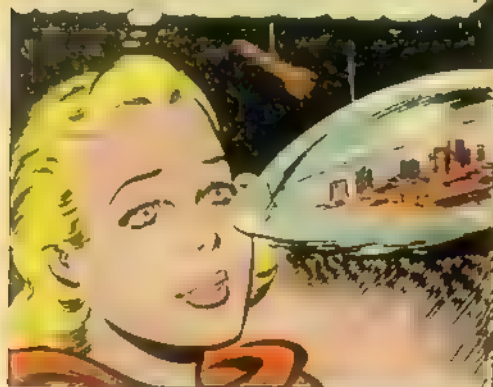


AFTER QUICKLY VISITING VARIOUS WORLDS, **SUPERGIRL** RETURNS TO EARTH WITH AMAZING TROPHIES, THEN TOURS HER NOW COMPLETELY FURNISHED FORTRESS...

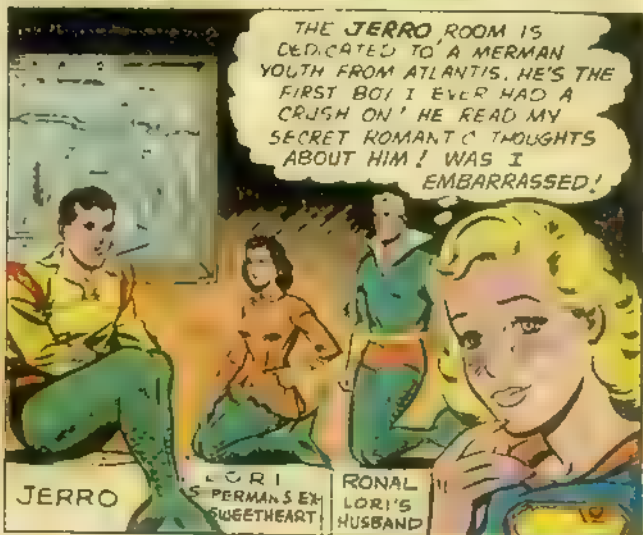
JUST AS **SUPERMAN** HAS ROOMS COMMEMORATING VARIOUS THINGS, SO HAVE I!



THIS IS A MODEL REPLICCA OF ARGO CITY! FLUNG INTO SPACE WHEN **KRYPTON** WAS DESTROYED, IT SURVIVED UNDER A PLASTIC DOME. I WAS BORN ON THE SPACE FRAGMENT. MY PARENTS SENT ME TO EARTH WHEN METEORS DOOMED IT!



THE **JERRO** ROOM IS DEDICATED TO A MERMAN YOUTH FROM ATLANTIS. HE'S THE FIRST BOY I EVER HAD A CRUSH ON! HE READ MY SECRET ROMANTIC THOUGHTS ABOUT HIM! WAS I EMBARRASSED!



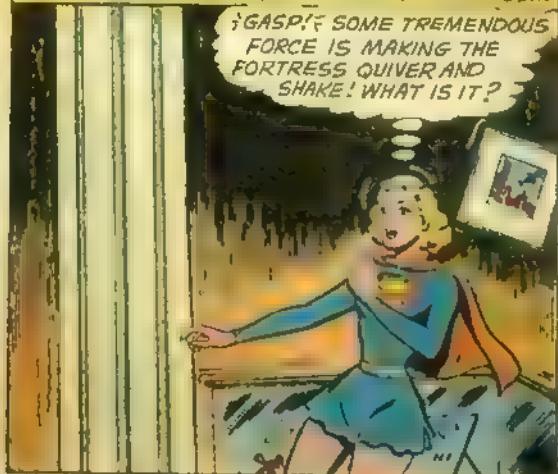
MEANWHILE, AT MIDVALE ORPHANAGE, AS **STREAKY** INHALES THE SCENT OF THE HIDDEN **X-KRYPTONITE** WHICH HAS BECOME LODGED IN THE BALL OF TWINE HE PLAYS WITH...

SUFFERING CATS! MMM-BOY, I FEEL GREAT... GREAT!! IN FACT, **SUPER!!**



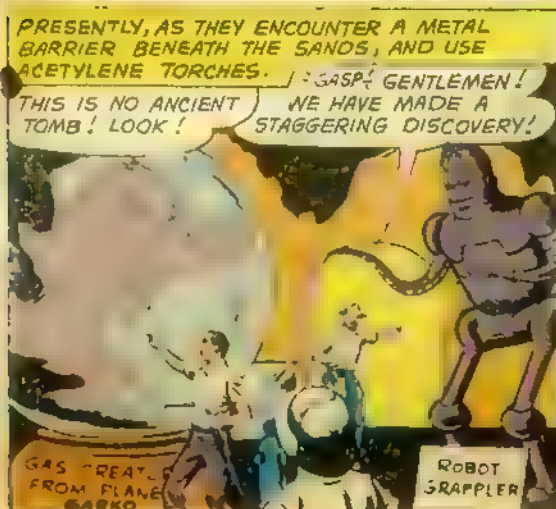
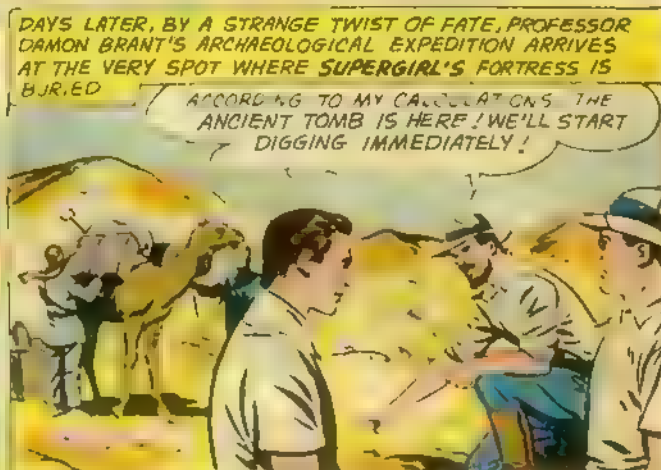
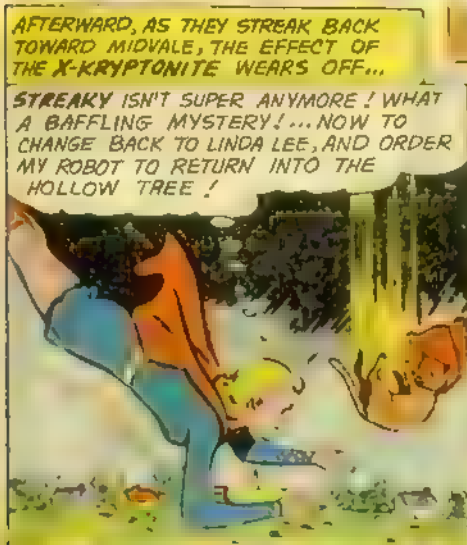
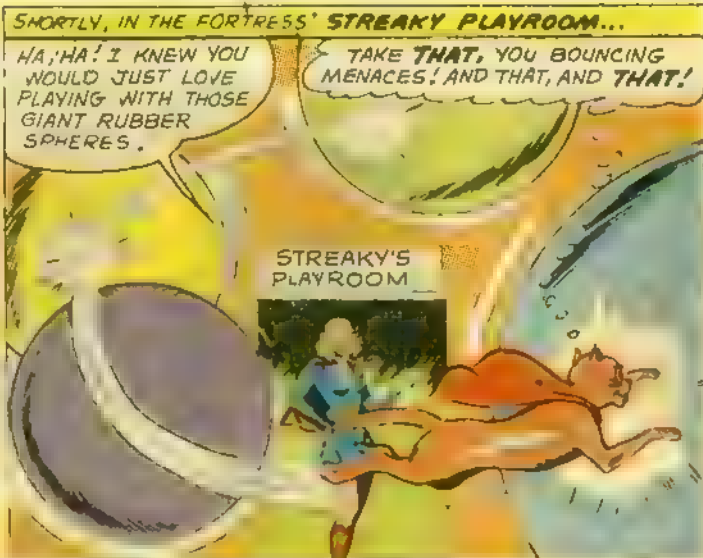
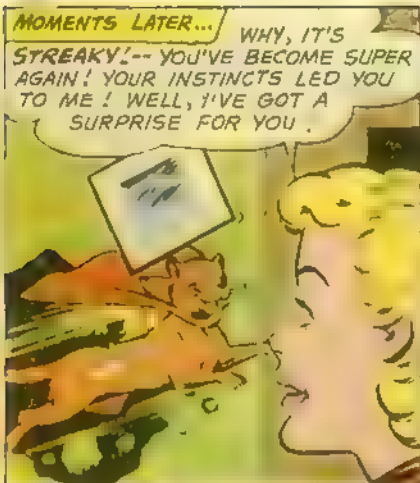
SUCCRTLY, INSIDE **SUPERGIRL'S** SECRET FORTRESS...

GASP! SOME TREMENDOUS FORCE IS MAKING THE FORTRESS QUIVER AND SHAKE! WHAT IS IT?





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SHOULD THIS ASTOUNDING NEWS LEAK OUT, SUPERMAN WILL LOSE A VERY VALUABLE EMERGENCY WEAPON! SINCE ONE OF US MIGHT UNINTENTIONALLY LET THIS SLIP, I SUGGEST

..I WIPE THIS OUT OF YOUR MINDS THROUGH POST-HYPNOTIC SUGGESTION! AFTERWARDS, I WILL ERASE THE KNOWLEDGE FROM MY MIND, TOO, THROUGH SELF-HYPNOSIS! AGREED?

AGREED!!

WILLINGLY, BRANT'S ASSOCIATES ALLOW THEMSELVES TO BE HYPNOTIZED...

YOU WILL FORGET... ALL KNOWLEDGE OF SUPERGIRL'S EXISTENCE, UPON LEAVING THIS FORTRESS

FORGET... FORGET... FORGET...

A WEEK LATER, UPON RETURNING TO METROPOLIS, PROF. BRANT CONFIDES IN HIS WIFE

AFTER WE REFILLED THE EXCAVATION, I REMOVED THE MEMORY OF WHAT HAD HAPPENED FROM THE OTHERS' MINDS, BUT **NOT** MY OWN...

WHY?

YOU AND I WILL ADOPT LINDA LEE WITHOUT REVEALING WE KNOW SHE IS SUPERGIRL!

I SEE! WE'LL **PRETEND** TO LOVE HER, THEN TRICK HER INTO MAKING US RICH! HOW SMART!

NEXT DAY, AT MIDVALE ORPHANAGE.

WE'LL ADOPT THIS GIRL, MRS. HART!

OH, NO! I CAN'T LET THEM ADOPT ME, BECAUSE OF MY PROMISE TO SUPERMAN TO REMAIN HIS EMERGENCY WEAPON! HOW WILL I GET OUT OF THIS?

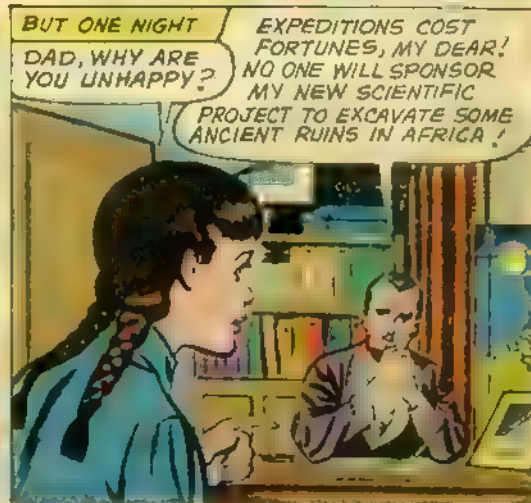
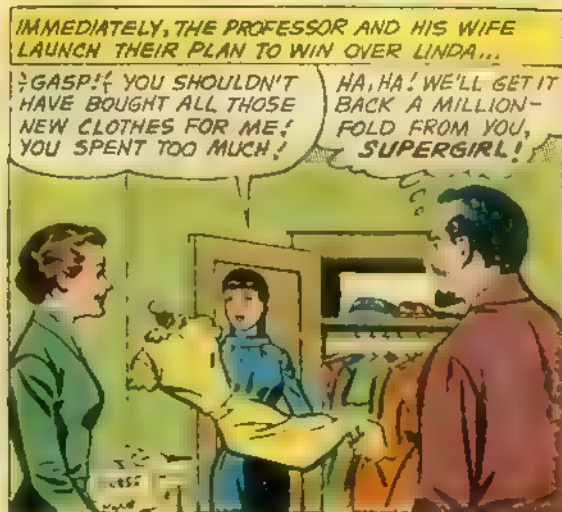
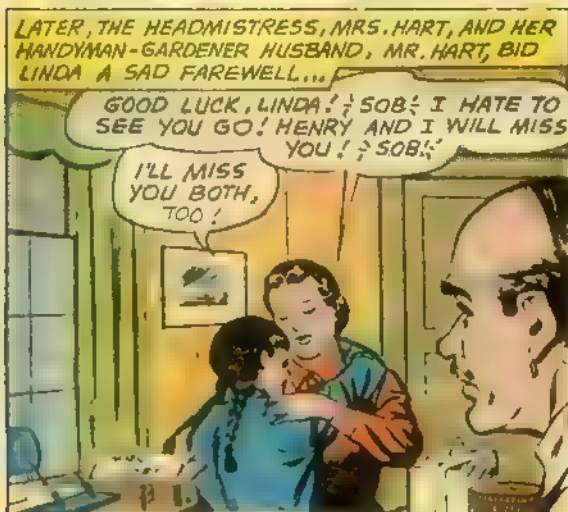
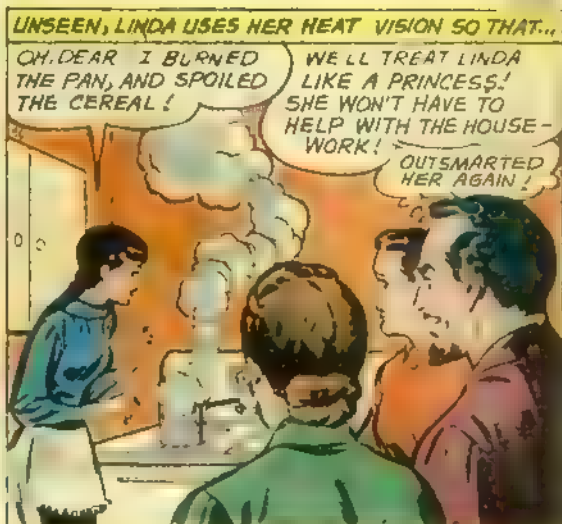
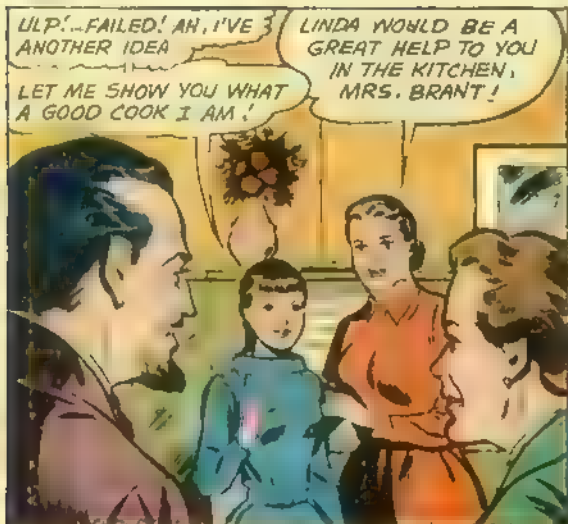
DELIBERATELY, LINDA INSISTS ON "DISPLAYING HER SKILLS"...

I'M PURPOSELY HITTING FALSE NOTES!

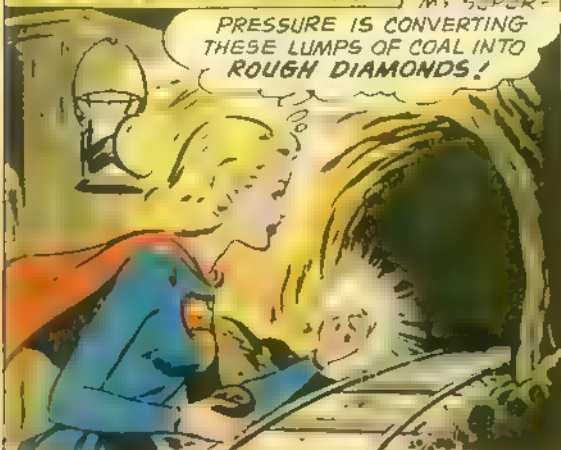
I DON'T MIND! I'M TONE-DEAF!

OH, MY! I-I KEEP HITTING THE WRONG NOTES!

SHE'S TRYING TO AVOID BEING ADOPTED! WELL, SHE WON'T SUCCEED!



THAT EVENING, LINDA CHANGES TO SUPERGIRL, THEN FLEES OFF TO A COAL MINE



MY SUPER-PRESSURE IS CONVERTING THESE LUMPS OF COAL INTO ROUGH DIAMONDS!

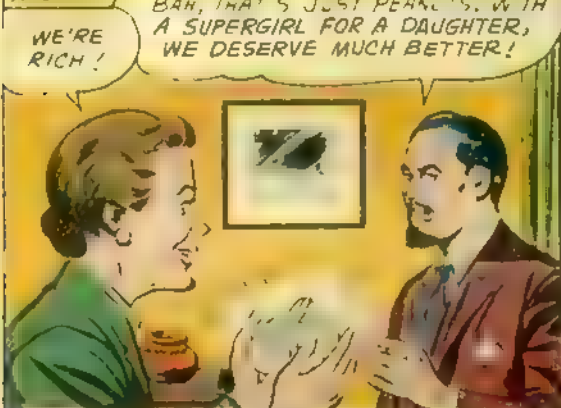
NEXT MORNING...

"GASP!" THIS PACKAGE, MYSTERIOUSLY LEFT BEFORE OUR DOOR, CONTAINS A FORTUNE IN UNFACED DIAMONDS! THERE'S NO RETURN ADDRESS!



THIS CARD FROM THE PACKAGE READS, "GOOD LUCK ON YOUR PROJECTS!"

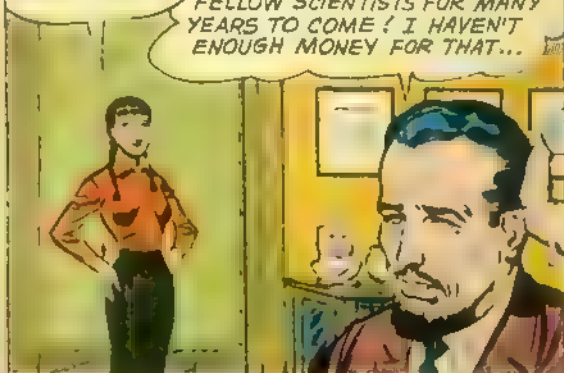
BUT WHEN THE PROFESSOR AND HIS WIFE ARE ALONE...



BAH, THAT'S JUST PEANUTS. WITH A SUPERGIRL FOR A DAUGHTER, WE DESERVE MUCH BETTER!

WE'RE RICH!

AND SO, LATER... YOU'RE STILL... UNHAPPY



MY FONDEST DESIRE IS TO SET UP A FUND TO FINANCE WORTHY EXPEDITIONS FOR FELLOW SCIENTISTS FOR MANY YEARS TO COME! I HAVEN'T ENOUGH MONEY FOR THAT...

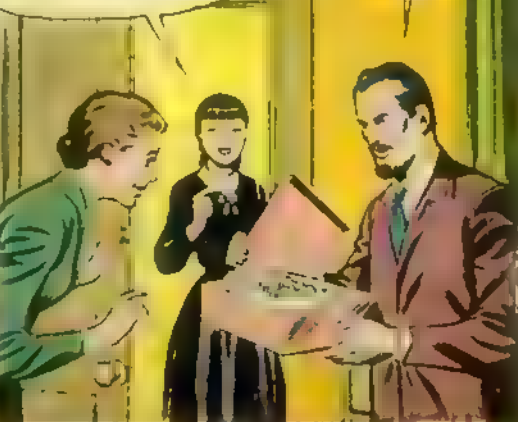
THAT EVENING, SUPERGIRL ONCE AGAIN GOES INTO A TUNNEL



MY X-RAY VISION REVEALS WHICH OYSTERS CONTAIN PEARLS! THOSE ARE THE ONES I'LL GATHER!

NEXT DAY...

ANOTHER PACKAGE FROM AN ANONYMOUS DONOR! THIS ONE CRAMMED WITH PEARLS! HOW LUCKY YOU ARE!



LUCKY? I DON'T AGREE..



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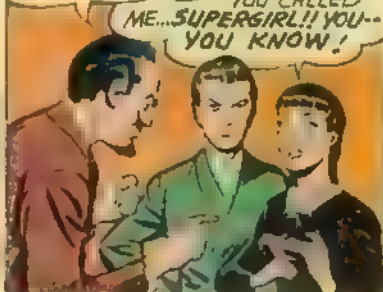
YOU SEE, I HAVE AN AMBITIOUS SCHEME TO EXPLORE OUTER SPACE! BUT IT WILL TAKE BILLIONS OF DOLLARS...

THE SCIENTISTS OF MANY COUNTRIES ARE PLANNING INTERPLANETARY TRAVEL! PERHAPS YOU'D BETTER LEAVE IT TO THEM...

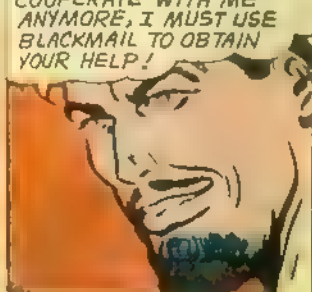


GREEDILY, THE PROFESSOR DROPS ALL PRETENSES.../ I WANT BILLIONS, **SUPERGIRL!** AND YOU'RE GOING TO GIVE IT TO ME, OR I'LL EXPOSE YOUR EXISTENCE ON THIS WORLD!

YOU CALLED ME...**SUPERGIRL!** YOU-- YOU KNOW!

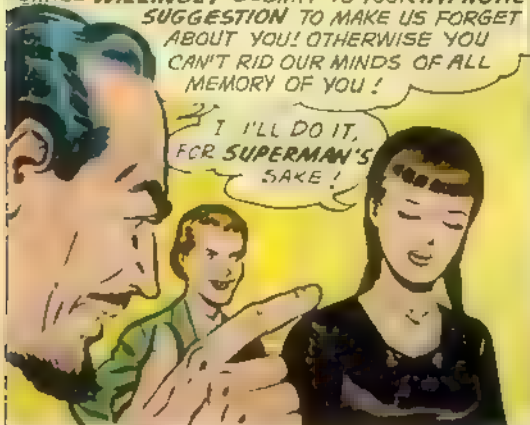


SNEERINGLY, BRANT REVEALS THE TRUTH.../ ...AND SO, WHEN I STUMBLED ACROSS YOUR FORTRESS, I KNEW I COULD USE YOU TO BECOME RICH! SINCE YOU WON'T COOPERATE WITH ME ANYMORE, I MUST USE BLACKMAIL TO OBTAIN YOUR HELP!



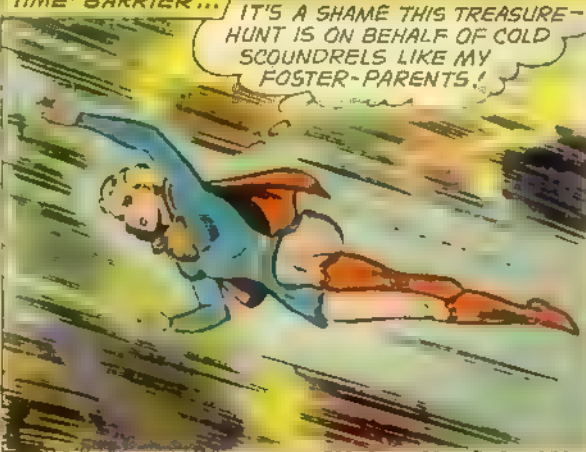
I ORDER YOU TO MAKE ME THE RICHEST MAN ON EARTH! DO THIS, AND MY WIFE AND I SHALL **WILLINGLY** SUBMIT TO YOUR **HYPNOTIC SUGGESTION** TO MAKE US FORGET ABOUT YOU! OTHERWISE YOU CAN'T RID OUR MINDS OF ALL MEMORY OF YOU!

I'LL DO IT, FOR **SUPERMAN'S** SAKE!



FLYING AT SUPER-SPEED, **SUPERGIRL** CRASHES THE TIME-BARRIER...

IT'S A SHAME THIS TREASURE-HUNT IS ON BEHALF OF COLD SCOUNDRELS LIKE MY FOSTER-PARENTS!



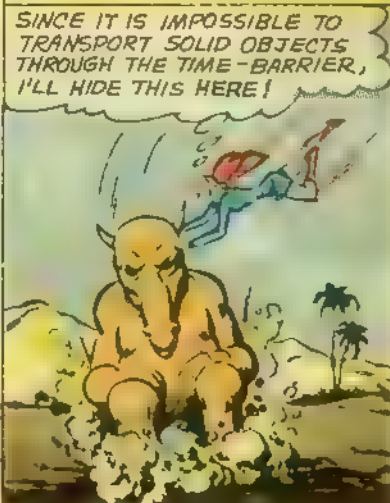
BACK TO THE ANCIENT LAND OF GAZ, SHE STREAKS...

THIS EVIL TRIBE WAS THE CRUELEST IN ALL HISTORY! THE GOLDEN GOD STOOD FOR TYRANNY AND INJUSTICE!



SEEKING A DESERTED SPOT, **SUPERGIRL** DELIBERATELY RAMS THE IDOL INTO THE EARTH...

SINCE IT IS IMPOSSIBLE TO TRANSPORT SOLID OBJECTS THROUGH THE TIME-BARRIER, I'LL HIDE THIS HERE!





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HER! AS BACK TO THE PRESENT-DAY WORLD, **SUPERGIRL** RETRIEVES THE IDOL.

HERE IT IS, AFTER ALL THESE CENTURIES... WHERE I HID IT! I'LL STORE IT IN THE ARABIAN DESERT, AND CONTINUE MY SEARCH FOR GREAT TREASURES!



THEN ONCE AGAIN, SHE FLASHES THROUGH TIME, TO THE YEAR 1223 A.D., AND THE STOLEN LOOT OF **GENGHIS KHAN'S** RUTHLESS MONGOL PLUNDERERS.

THEIR WEAPONS ARE USELESS AGAINST ME! I'LL TAKE THEIR LOOT AND HIDE IT WHERE I CAN DIG IT UP IN THE YEAR 1960!



RETURNING TO THE PRESENT, **SUPERGIRL** DIGGS UP THE TREASURE, THEN FLIES HER FOSTER PARENTS TO A PART OF THE ARABIAN DESERT, FAR FROM HER HIDDEN FORTRESS.

THE ANEKAAD PALACE IS YOURS! I BUILT IT AND FILLED IT WITH TREASURES THAT STAGGER THE IMAGINATION!



SOON, IN THE PALACE

SEE--I HAVE GIVEN YOU THE RICHES YOU DESIRE! NOW LET ME HYPNOTICALLY REMOVE MY SECRET FROM YOUR MINDS!...

WE'LL NEVER LET YOU OUT FROM UNDER OUR THUMBS, YOU TRUSTING FOOL! YOU'LL CONTINUE TO DO AS WE SAY...OR WE'LL EXPOSE YOU!



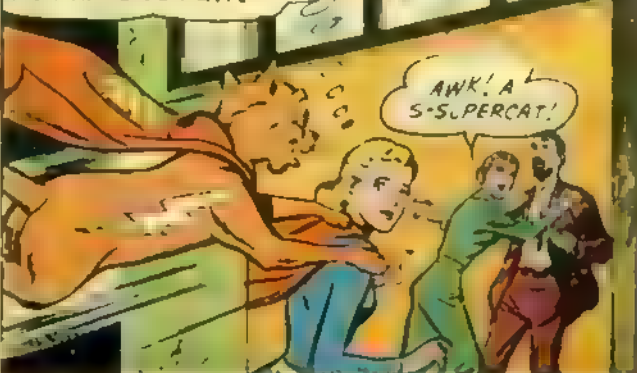
MEANWHILE, AT THE MIDVALE ORDNANCE, **STREAKY** ONCE AGAIN SMELLS THE X-KRYPTONITE CONCEALED IN THE BALL OF TWINE, AND

YAHOO! I'M MIGHTY AGAIN! WHEEE...



SECONDS LATER, AT THE PALACE...

OH, NO! **STREAKY** HAS BECOME SUPER-POWERFUL ONCE MORE! HIS INSTINCT LED HIM HERE! HE WANTS TO PLAY!



AWK! A S-SUPERCAT!



GIANT SUPERGIRL



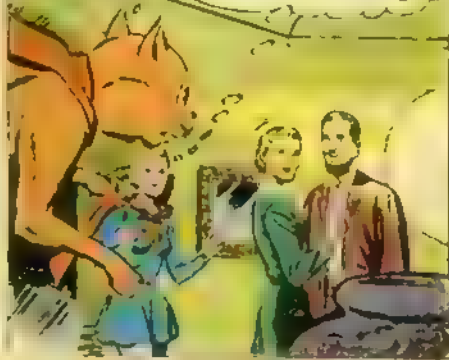
SUDDENLY, A BAND OF ARABIAN BANDITS ATTACKS...

BY ALLAH, THAT PALACE MUST BE OVERFLOWING WITH RICHES! IT APPEARS UNGUARDED, TOO!



INSIDE THE PALACE STREAKY RECKLESSLY USES HIS X-RAY VISION...

WHAT'S ALL THAT NOISE OUTSIDE? OH, I SEE! STREAKY AIMED HIS X-RAY VISION AT THE PROFESSOR AND HIS WIFE... AND THEY SUDDENLY LOOKED DAZED!



WHY WHO ARE WE?

WHAT ARE WE DOING HERE??

GOODNESS! NOW I REALIZE WHAT HAS HAPPENED TO MY FOSTER PARENTS!



THEN, SWIFTLY COATING HERSELF WITH CLAY FROM AN URN, THE DISGUISED SUPERGIRL FLIES OFF WITH THE EMERALD PALACE...



AIEE! A TERRIBLE GOD IS STEALING THE PALACE! FLEE! FLEE!

THROUGH A LUCKY TWIST OF FATE, STREAKY'S X-RAY VISION BURNT OUT A SECTION OF THE BRANTS' BRAINS, CAUSING AMNESIA! THE MEMORY CELLS CONTAINING KNOWLEDGE OF MY EXISTENCE HAVE BEEN DESTROYED! I MUST DISAPPEAR FAST, BEFORE THEY CAN SPOT ME!



JUST WHAT I HOPED THEY'D DO!



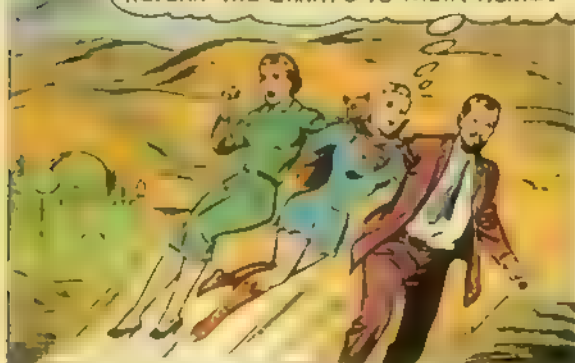


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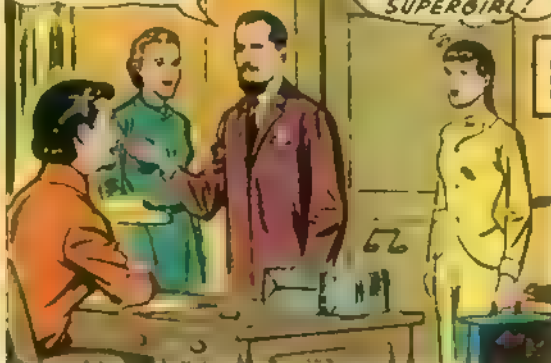
PRESENTLY, SUPERGIRL DEPOSITS THE PALACE IN AN UNEXPLORED AREA OF THE DESERT, REMOVES HER DISGUISE, THEN

STREAKY'S SUPER-POWERS HAVE LEFT HIM AGAIN! I'LL TAKE HIM BACK TO MIDVALE AND RETURN THE BRANTS TO THEIR HOME!



NEXT DAY. SORRY, BUT WE CAN'T KEEP LINDA! MY WIFE AND I GOT A SUDDEN ASSIGNMENT THAT WILL TAKE US TO THE GOBI DESERT FOR THREE YEARS!

THEY HAVE REGAINED SOME OF THEIR MEMORY, BUT DON'T RECALL I AM SUPERGIRL!



AFTER THE BRANTS LEAVE

WELL, HAPPY YOU'RE BACK, LINDA! I MISSED YOU TERRIBLY!

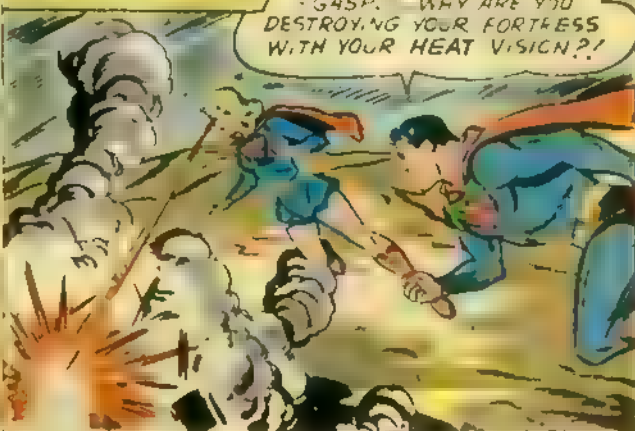
I'M HAPPY TO BE BACK, TOO, MRS. HART!

NEWS FLASH! SUPERMAN HAS JUST RETURNED FROM OUTER SPACE!



LATER, AS SUPERGIRL JOINS SUPERMAN AND EXPLAINS WHAT HAD OCCURRED, THEY BOTH FLY TO THE ARABIAN DESERT, AND THEN...

GASP. WHY ARE YOU DESTROYING YOUR FORTRESS WITH YOUR HEAT VISION?!



I CAN'T RISK SOMEONE ELSE FINDING IT, AS PROF. BRANT DID, AND ENDANGERING MY SECRET ROLE AS YOUR EMERGENCY WEAPON!

I APPRECIATE YOUR SACRIFICE, SUPERGIRL! BUT SOME DAY, I'M SURE YOU WON'T BE SORRY!



THAT NIGHT, AT THE MIDJALE ORPHANAGE, LINDA LEE WONDERS ALOUD...

IT WAS NICE HAVING A FORTRESS OF SOLITUDE ALL MY OWN, EVEN FOR A LITTLE WHILE, STREAKY! I WONDER... IF I WILL EVER HAVE ONE AGAIN?



COULD HE SEE FUTURE ISSUES OF ACTION!

SUPERGIRL

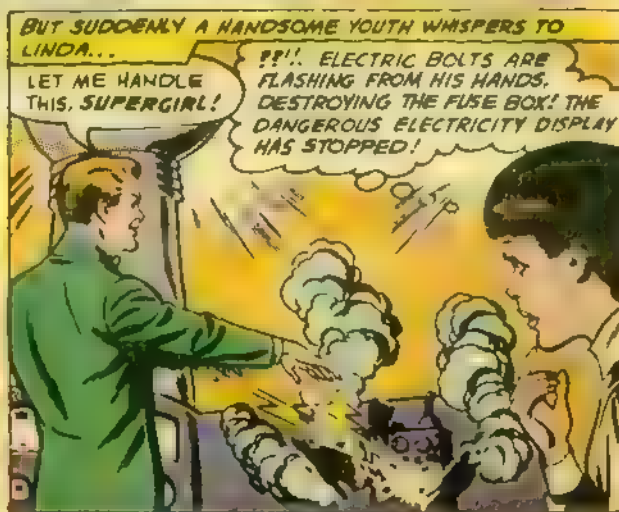
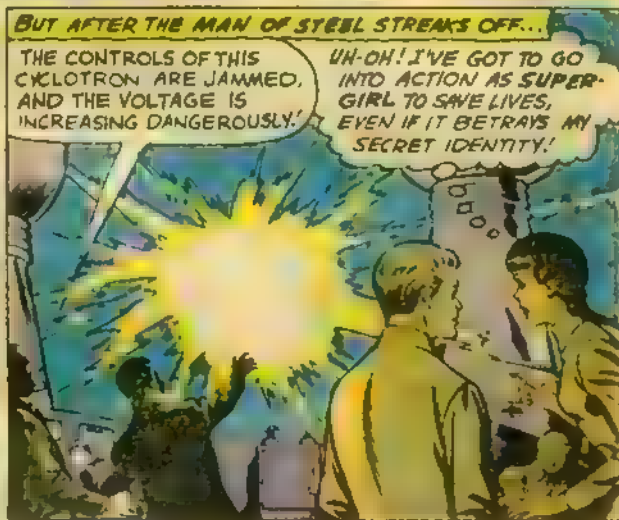
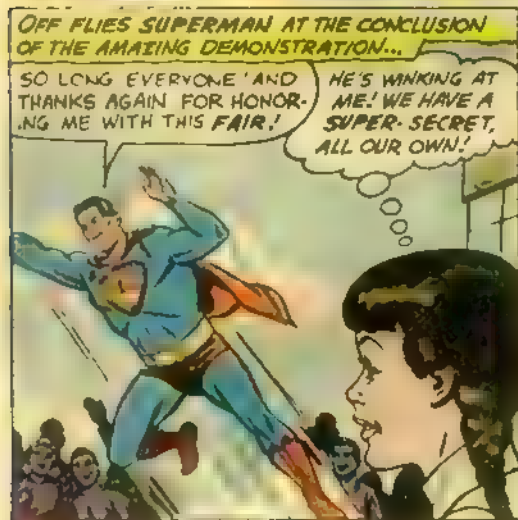
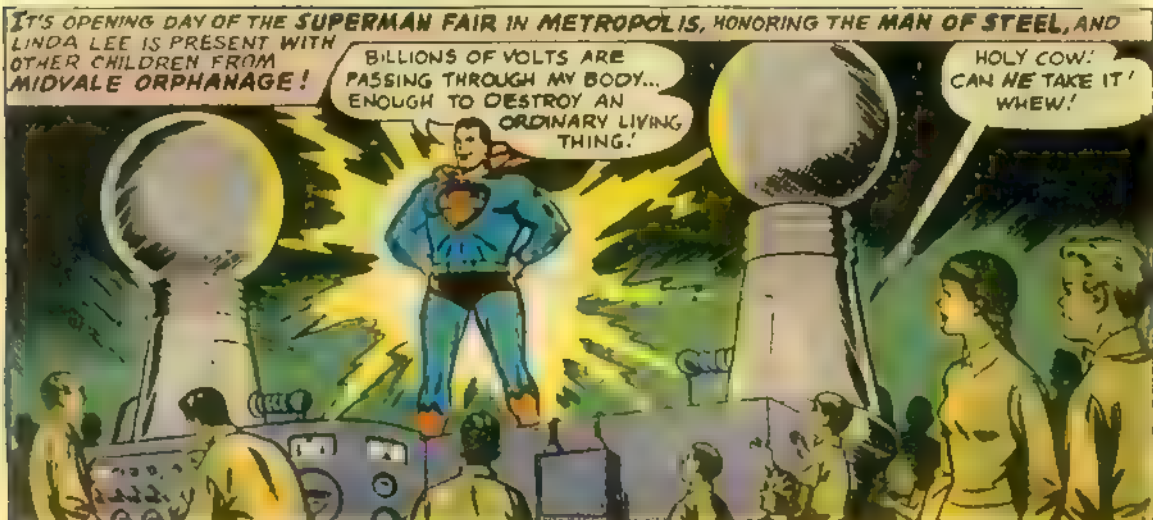
GASP! I THOUGHT MY EXISTENCE ON EARTH WAS A DEEP SECRET BUT YOU KIDS WITH SUPER POWERS SEEM TO KNOW ALL ABOUT ME! WHO ARE YOU?!!

THE TIME HAS ARRIVED FOR YOU TO LEARN THE ANSWER LINDA LEE ALAS SUPERGIRL!



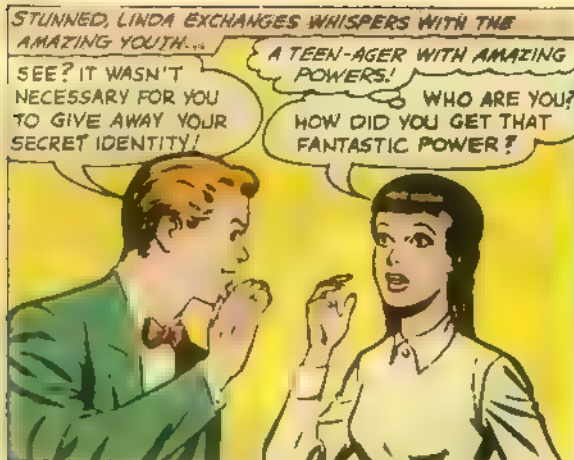
AS SUPERGIRL LINDA LEE IS CONSTANTLY GETTING INTO ONE STARTLING ADVENTURE AFTER ANOTHER BUT ONE DAY THE SURPRISES COME EVEN QUICKER AND ARE MORE ASTONISHING, THAN USUAL A BAFFLING SERIES OF AMAZING ENCOUNTERS HAS THE GIRL OF STEEL WONDERING WHAT IN THE WORLD IS HAPPENING TO HER WHO ARE THE THREE STRANGE TEEN-AGERS WHO MYSTIFYINGLY ENTER HER LIFE AND WHAT IS THEIR PURPOSE IN HELPING HER HIDE THE SECRET OF HER REAL IDENTITY? RIGHT! THEY'RE COSMIC BOY, SATURN GIRL AND LIGHTNING LAD, OF THE LEGION OF SUPER-HEROES! AND THIS IS THE FANTASTIC TALE OF THEIR FIRST TRIP FROM THE 30TH-CENTURY TO SEE THE MIGHTY MAID OF STEEL! THE REASON IS TOLD IN THIS ACCOUNT OF...

The THREE SUPER-HEROES!





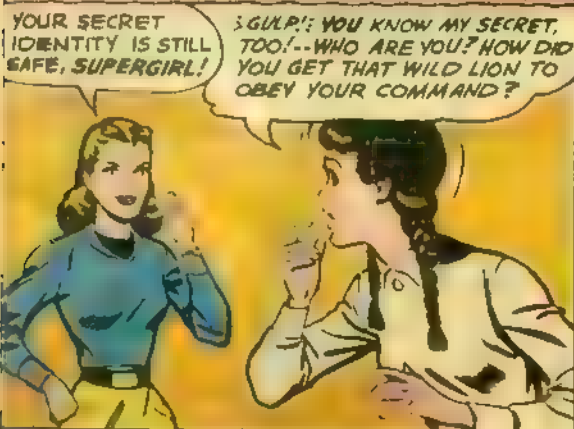
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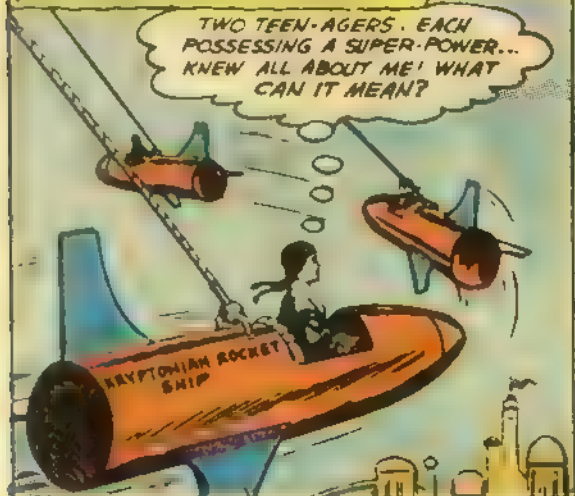
LATER AT THE FINISH OF A LION-TAMING ACT.



AND NOW, ANOTHER JARRING WHISPERED CONVERSATION...



WORRIEDLY LINDA GOES FOR A KRYPTONIAN ROCKET SHIP AMUSEMENT RIDE, SO SHE CAN THINK ABOUT THE STRANGE TURN OF EVENTS...



TWO TEEN-AGERS, EACH POSSESSING A SUPER-POWER... KNEW ALL ABOUT ME! WHAT CAN IT MEAN?

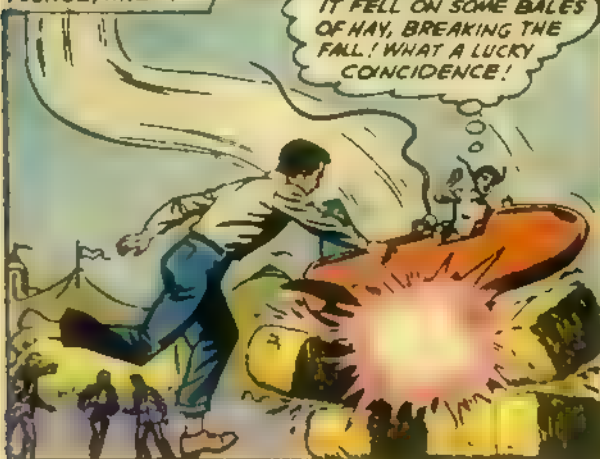
SUDDENLY...



THE ROCKET BROKE LOOSE! IT'S FALLING! WHEN IT STRIKES THE GROUND, AND I'M NOT HURT, ONLOOKERS WILL LEARN I'M INVULNERABLE!

...NOW TO SAVE HER WITH MY MAGNETIC POWERS!

ASTONISHINGLY, THE FALLING ROCKET SHIP DEFIES GRAVITY, CHANGES THE DIRECTION OF ITS DOWNWARD PLUNGE, AND...



IT FELL ON SOME BALES OF HAY, BREAKING THE FALL! WHAT A LUCKY COINCIDENCE!

BUT THEN, A THIRD TEEN-AGER WHISPERS TO LINDA...

I HAD TO ACT FAST SO YOUR SECRET WOULDN'T BE EXPOSED TO THE WORLD, SUPERGIRL!

OH, NO! THIS IS THE THIRD TIME I'VE BEEN SAVED BY A TEEN-AGER WITH INCREDIBLE POWERS!

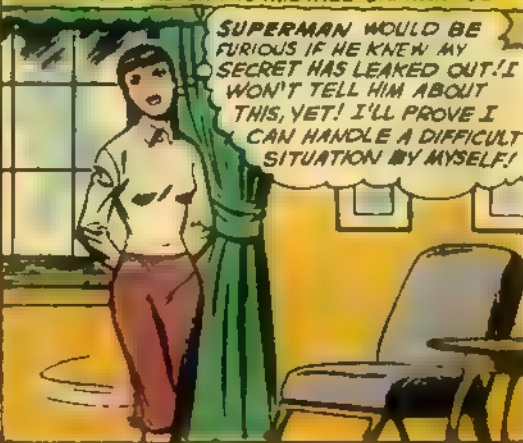


TELL ME, QUICKLY, BEFORE THE OTHERS ARRIVE! WHERE DID YOU THREE KIDS GET YOUR AMAZING POWERS, AND HOW DID YOU LEARN MY SECRET?

YOU'LL FIND OUT AT THE PROPER TIME! BE SEEING YOU!



LATER IN LINDA'S ROOM, AFTER SHE AND HER COMPANIONS RETURN TO MICHAEL ORPHANAGE...



SUPERMAN WOULD BE FURIOUS IF HE KNEW MY SECRET HAS LEAKED OUT! I WON'T TELL HIM ABOUT THIS, YET! I'LL PROVE I CAN HANDLE A DIFFICULT SITUATION BY MYSELF!

BUT AS SHE GLANCES THROUGH HER WINDOW...



SULPIS... MY TELESCOPIC VISION REVEALS THAT A CONSTRUCTION CREW IS LEVELING A CERTAIN NEARBY WOODED LOT!

A BULLDOZER IS ABOUT TO KNOCK DOWN THE HOLLOW TREE IN WHICH MY LINDA LEE ROBOT IS HIDDEN!

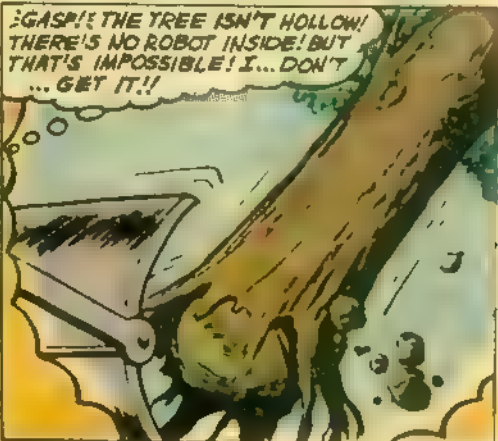


IF THEY DISCOVER THE LINDA LEE ROBOT, PEOPLE WILL KNOW I'M NO ORDINARY ORPHAN! BUT IF I GO INTO ACTION AS SUPERGIRL, THOSE CHILDREN PLAYING BASEBALL WILL SEE ME! I'M SUNK--EITHER WAY!

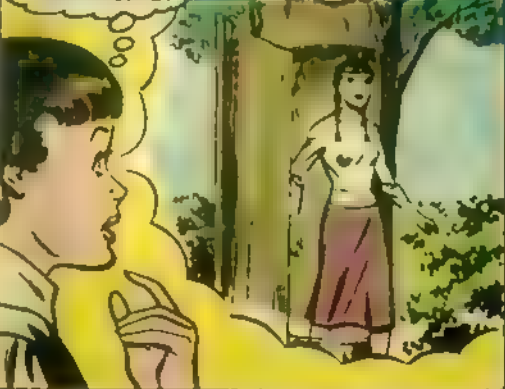


AND AS THE TREE IS SMASHED DOWN...

GASP! THE TREE ISN'T HOLLOW! THERE'S NO ROBOT INSIDE! BUT THAT'S IMPOSSIBLE! I... DON'T... GET IT!!



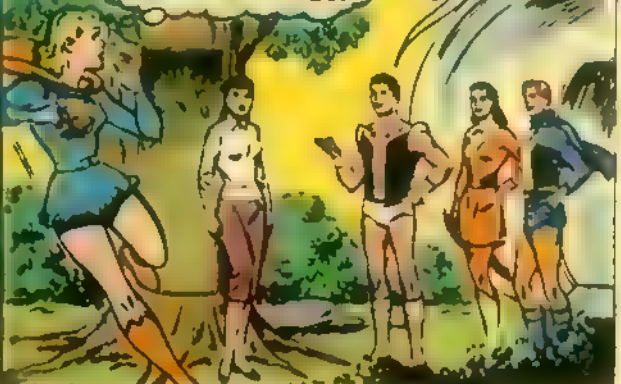
THEN... I SEE THE LINDA LEE ROBOT EMERGING FROM A HOLLOW TREE IN ANOTHER WOODED LOT! SOMETHING'S CUCKOO! I'LL INVESTIGATE...AS SUPERGIRL!



SWITCHING TO HER DYNAMIC IDENTITY, THE GIRL OF STEEL FLASHES AT SUPERSPEED TO THE ISOLATED WOODS, AND...

IT'S THOSE THREE TEEN-AGERS WITH AMAZING POWERS! BUT NOW THEY'RE WEARING COLORFUL ACTION COSTUMES!

WE MEET AGAIN, SUPERGIRL!

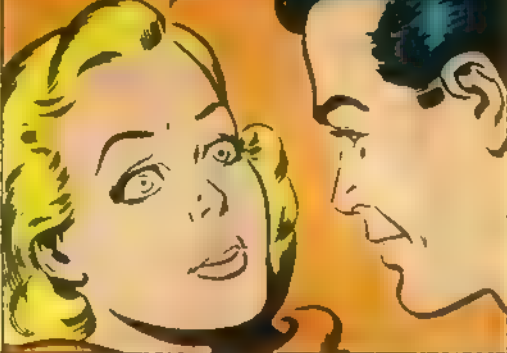
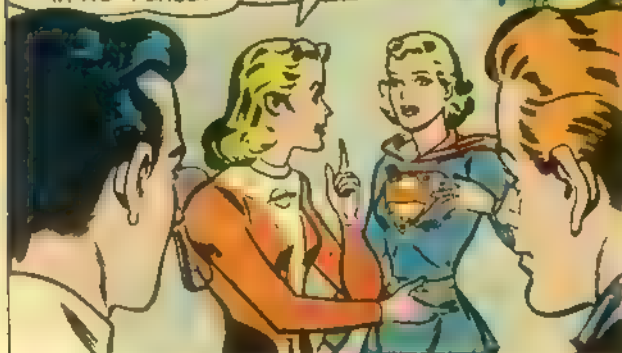


WE'VE PROTECTED YOUR SECRET IDENTITY AGAIN, **SUPERGIRL**, BY TRANSFERRING THE HOLLOW TREE HERE, BEFORE THE **LINDA LEE ROBOT** COULD BE DISCOVERED, AND SUBSTITUTING A SOLID TREE IN ITS PLACE!

STOP PLAYING GAMES WITH ME!

THIS IS THE FOURTH TIME YOU'VE USED SUPER-POWERS TO PROTECT MY SECRET FROM BEING REVEALED! WHAT'S IT ALL ABOUT?!!

WE'LL TELL YOU...NOW!

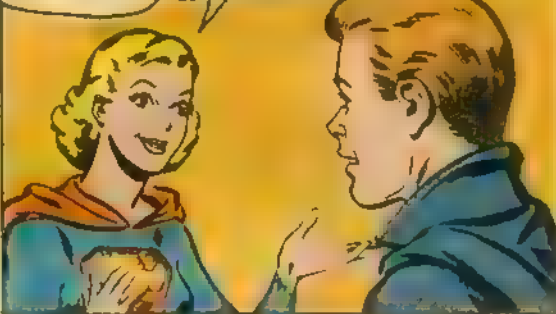


HAVE YOU EVER HEARD OF... THE LEGION OF SUPER-HEROES?

YES! **SUPERMAN** HAS TOLD ME HOW THREE YOUTHS WITH STRANGE POWERS TRAVELED FROM THE WORLD OF THE DISTANT FUTURE TO **SMALLVILLE**, MANY YEARS AGO WHEN HE WAS **SUPERBOY**...

THEY INVITED **SUPERBOY** TO ACCOMPANY THEM TO THE FUTURE, AND WHEN HE DID, HE JOINED THEIR **SUPER-HERO CLUB**! THAT'S IT! YOU'RE THE **COSMIC BOY**... **SATURN GIRL**... AND **LIGHTNING LAD** HE KNEW!

YOU'RE HITTING ON ALL CYLINDERS, **SUPERGIRL**!



WE'VE ADMIRERD **SUPERBOY**...AND YOU! THAT'S WHY WE MADE THIS TRIP!

WE CAUSED THOSE THINGS TO GO WRONG AT THE **SUPERMAN FAIR** KNOWING WE COULD PREVENT ANYONE FROM BEING HURT!

BUT WHY DID YOU DO IT?

WE OBSERVED, ON OUR **TIME-VIEWER**, HOW YOU ARE **SUPERMAN'S** HELPER! WHAT WE DID TO YOU AT THE FAIR WERE INITIATION STUNTS! YOU SEE... WE'VE COME BACK INTO THE PAST BECAUSE WE WANT YOU TO JOIN OUR CLUB!!



OUR PARENTS CAME FROM OTHER WORLDS WHICH EXPLAINS OUR SUPER-POWERS ACCORDING TO OUR CLUB'S RULES ONLY PERSONS UNDER 18-YEARS-OLD WHO HAVE SUPER-POWERS ARE ELIGIBLE FOR MEMBERSHIP!

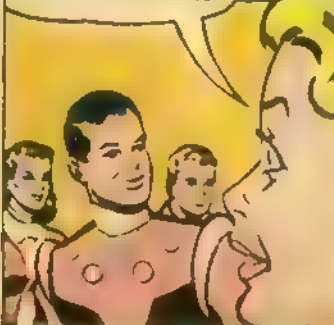


SUPERGIRL, WOULD YOU BE INTERESTED IN VISITING OUR FUTURE WORLD AND JOINING THE LEGION OF SUPER-HEROES?



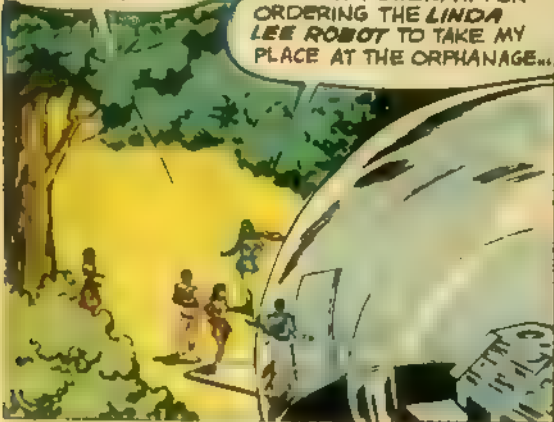
WOULD I? I DO JUST LOVE TO!

I'VE PROMISED SUPERMAN TO KEEP MY EXISTENCE ON EARTH AS SUPERGIRL A SECRET, BUT I'M SURE HE WON'T MIND IF I JOIN A CLUB OF SUPER-HEROES IN THE DISTANT FUTURE...THE SAME CLUB HE JOINED WHEN HE WAS SUPERBOY!

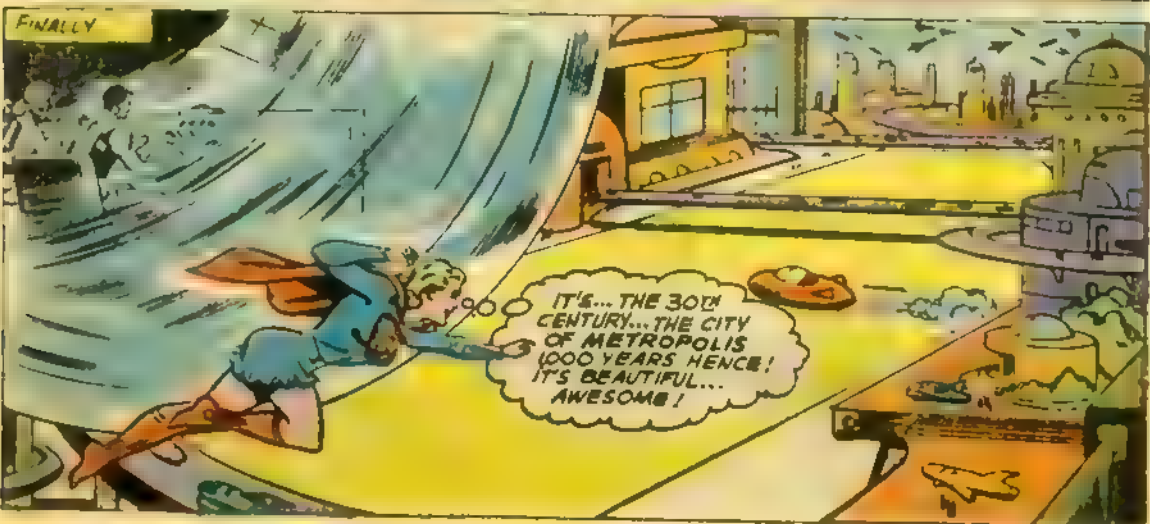


YOU MAY ENTER OUR TIME MACHINE, IF YOU WISH, OR...

NO. I LL FLY THROUGH THE TIME-BARRIER UNDER MY OWN POWER, AFTER ORDERING THE LINDA LEE ROBOT TO TAKE MY PLACE AT THE ORPHANAGE...



SHORTLY A SUPER-BURST OF SPEED SENDS THE GIRL OF STEEL STREAKING THROUGH THE TIME-BARRIER AFTER THE AMAZING TIME-SPANNING VEHICLE...

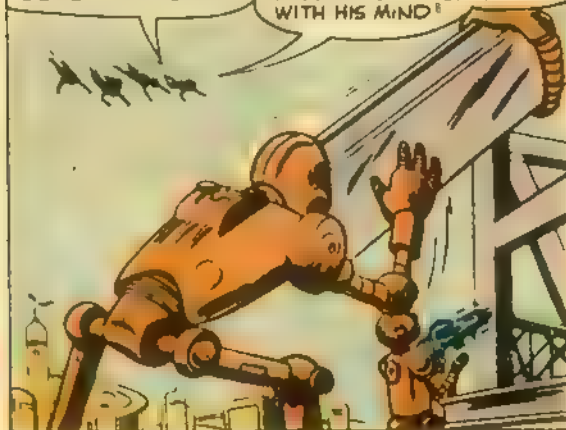


IT'S... THE 30TH CENTURY...THE CITY OF METROPOLIS 1000 YEARS HENCE! IT'S BEAUTIFUL... AWESOME!

MOMENTS AFTER SUPERGIRL'S NEW FRIENDS LEAVE THEIR TIME MACHINE AND JOIN SUPERGIRL IN THE SKY...

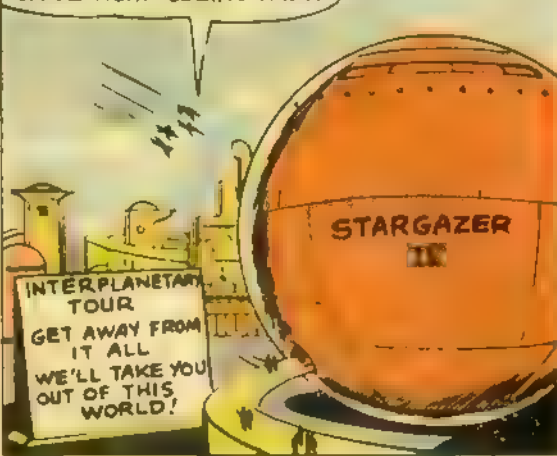
ROBOTS
LABORING BELOW!
DOES THIS MEAN?

YES! MACHINES DO ALL OUR
HEAVY PHYSICAL WORK! MAN
IS FREE TO LABOR MAINLY
WITH HIS MIND!



AS SUPERGIRL IS SHOWN THE WONDERS OF 30TH-CENTURY METROPOLIS...

GOODNESS! YOU HAVE
SPACE SIGHT-SEEING TRIPS!



WHEN THEY PAUSE FOR REFRESHMENT...

HOW THE OLD ICE-CREAM PARLOR
HAS CHANGED! THIS MARTIAN ICE-
CREAM TASTES...ER...FANTASTICALLY
DELIGHTFUL!



AFTERWARD...

THIS IS OUR
CLUBHOUSE! YOU
ARE ALREADY AWARE
OF SATURN GIRL'S SKILL
AT SUPER-THOUGHT-
CASTING, OF LIGHTNING
LAD'S MASTERY OF
SUPER-LIGHTNING,
AND THE CONTROL OF
MYSELF, COSMIC BOY,
OVER SUPER-
MAGNETISM...



NOW MEET OTHER CLUB MEMBERS! EACH
HAS ONE SPECIAL SUPER-POWER, INHERITED
FROM THEIR PARENTS FROM OTHER
WORLDS! WOULD YOU LIKE THEM TO
DEMONSTRATE THEIR SKILLS?



SHORTLY OUTSIDE THE CLUBHOUSE...

IT'S EASY FOR ME TO GROW TO GREAT SIZE! I MERELY WILL MY BODY'S ATOMS TO *EXPAND*!

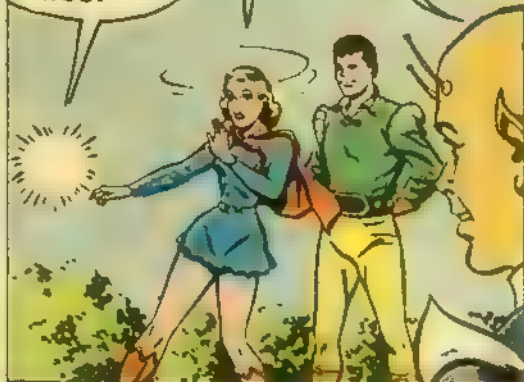


GOODNESS!

IT'S ME... *INVISIBLE KID*! PEEK-A-BOO!

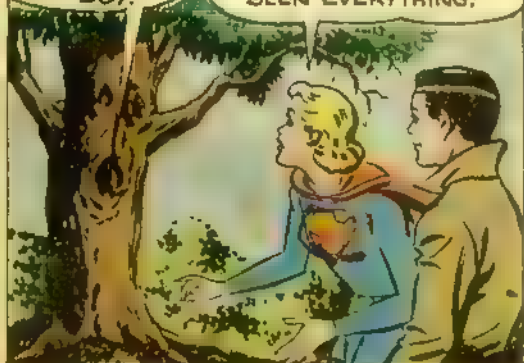
ULP!

HA, HA! HE'S A *TRICKY ONE*!



I AM THE ONE, AND ONLY, *CHAMELEON BOY*!

AMAZING! THAT BOY CHANGED HIMSELF INTO A TALKING TREE! NOW I'VE SEEN EVERYTHING!



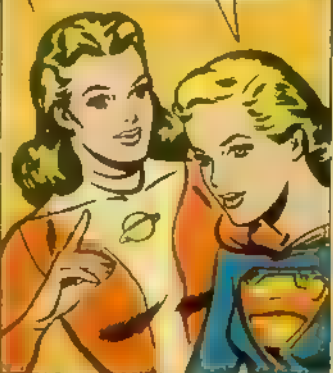
MANY WHO HAVE SUPER-POWERS WISH TO JOIN OUR CLUB, *SUPERGIRL*, BUT ONLY *ONE* APPLICANT A YEAR IS APPROVED!

IF YOU CAN PERFORM A SUPER-FEAT MORE SPECTACULAR THAN YOUR COMPETING APPLICANTS HAVE ALREADY STAGED, WE'LL VOTE YOU IN!



BUT YOU MUST HURRY! THE TIME DURING WHICH WE WILL SELECT THIS YEAR'S NEW MEMBER IS ALMOST UP!

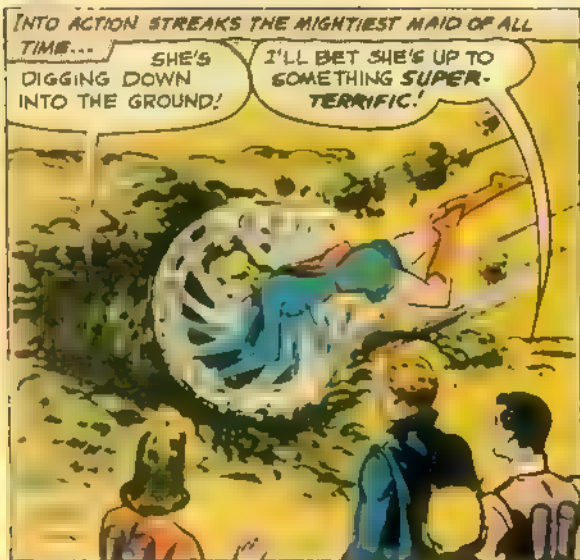
TELL ME...QUICKLY! WHAT IS THE PRINCIPAL MEANS OF RAPID TRAVEL ON EARTH TODAY?



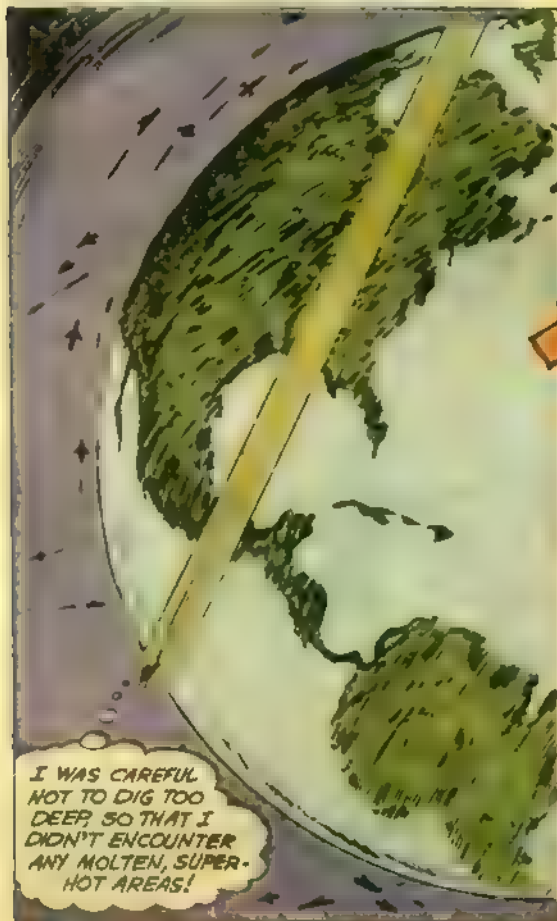
JET-CRAFT! HOWEVER, THE SKIES ARE OVERCROWDED DUE TO THE GREAT AIR TRAFFIC! WHY DO YOU ASK?

AS YOU ONCE TOLD ME "YOU'LL FIND OUT AT THE PROPER TIME"! SEE YOU SOON!

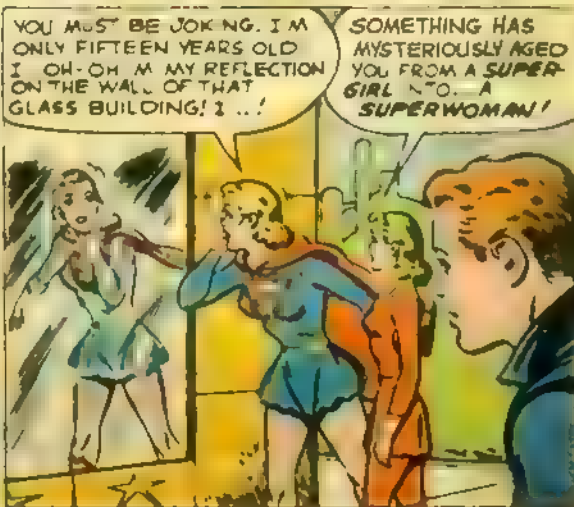
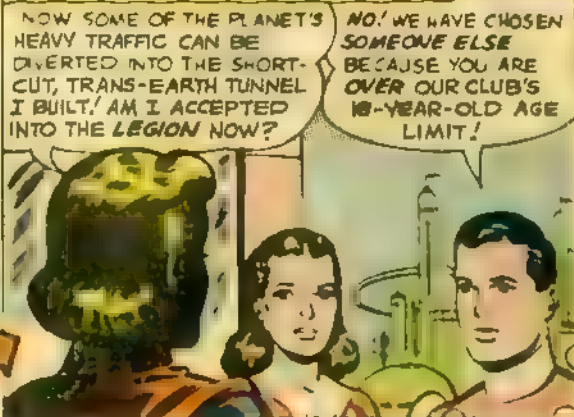




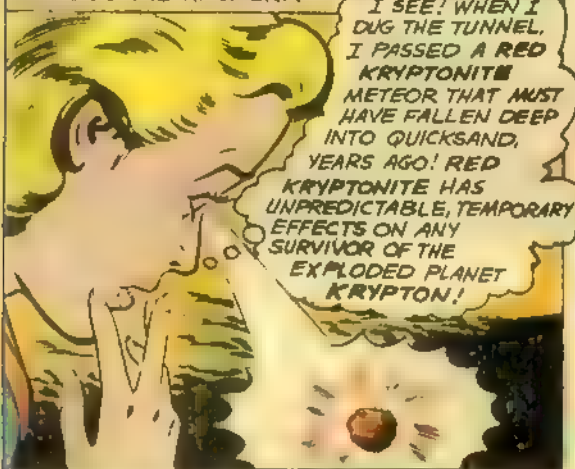
IN A MATTER OF MERE MINUTES, THE GIRL OF STEEL BUILDS A TREMENDOUS TUNNEL BENEATH THE CURVATURE OF THE EARTH'S SURFACE...



WHEN THE ASTOUNDING PROJECT IS COMPLETED, AND SHE REJOINS THE SUPER-HEROES...



RAPIDLY THE WOMAN OF STEEL'S SUPER-VISION SUPPLIES THE ANSWER...



I SEE! WHEN I DUG THE TUNNEL, I PASSED A RED KRYPTONITE METEOR THAT MUST HAVE FALLEN DEEP INTO QUICKSAND, YEARS AGO! RED KRYPTONITE HAS UNPREDICTABLE, TEMPORARY EFFECTS ON ANY SURVIVOR OF THE EXPLODED PLANET KRYPTON!

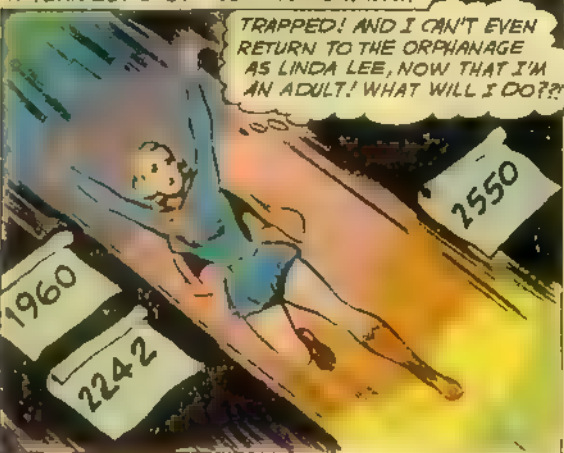
THE METEOR'S RADIATIONS CHANGED ME FROM A GIRL INTO A WOMAN!

IT'S A GOOD THING MY SUPER-COSTUME CAN STRETCH TO ANY SIZE!



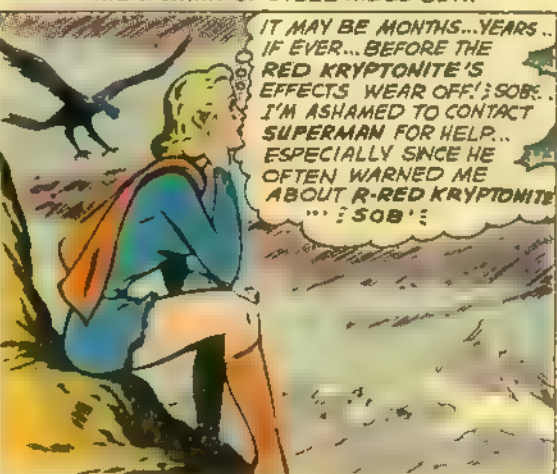
WE'RE TERRIBLY SORRY, SUPERWOMAN! IF YOU BECOME A TEEN-AGER AGAIN, YOU'LL BE ELIGIBLE TO JOIN OUR CLUB NEXT YEAR!

BACK THROUGH THE TIME-BARRIER SUPER-SPEEDS A TERRIBLY UPSET SUPERWOMAN...



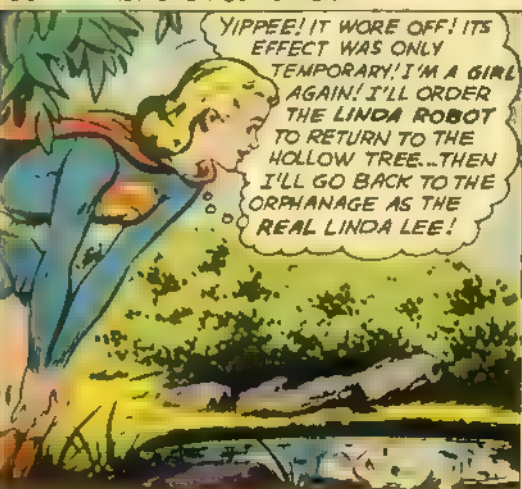
TRAPPED! AND I CAN'T EVEN RETURN TO THE ORPHANAGE AS LINDA LEE, NOW THAT I'M AN ADULT! WHAT WILL I DO??

AND SO THE WOMAN OF STEEL HIDES OUT...



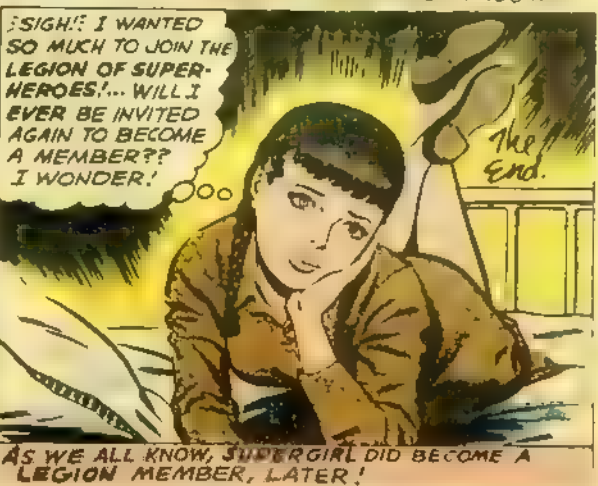
IT MAY BE MONTHS...YEARS... IF EVER...BEFORE THE RED KRYPTONITE'S EFFECTS WEAR OFF! SOB... I'M ASHAMED TO CONTACT SUPERMAN FOR HELP... ESPECIALLY SINCE HE OFTEN WARNED ME ABOUT R-RED KRYPTONITE... SOB...

BUT HAPPILY ONE HOUR LATER



YIPPEE! IT WORE OFF! ITS EFFECT WAS ONLY TEMPORARY! I'M A GIRL AGAIN! I'LL ORDER THE LINDA ROBOT TO RETURN TO THE HOLLOW TREE...THEN I'LL GO BACK TO THE ORPHANAGE AS THE REAL LINDA LEE!

LATER AS LINDA RETURNS TO HER FAMILIAR ROOM



SIGH! I WANTED SO MUCH TO JOIN THE LEGION OF SUPER-HEROES!... WILL I EVER BE INVITED AGAIN TO BECOME A MEMBER?? I WONDER!

THE END.

AS WE ALL KNOW, SUPERGIRL DID BECOME A LEGION MEMBER, LATER!

SUPERBOY

The ADVENTURES of

SUPERMAN

WHEN HE WAS A BOY

WE ALL HAVE OUR SECRET HOPES AND DREAMS. ONE OF **SUPERBOY'S** SECRET DESIRES IS TO KNOW A HUMAN PAL POSSESSING SUPER-POWERS EQUAL TO HIS, SO THAT THE TWO CAN SUPER-ROMP TOGETHER! BUT SINCE **SUPERBOY** IS THE ONLY HUMAN ON EARTH WITH SUPER-POWERS, IS THIS HOPE DOOMED NEVER TO COME TRUE? YES...AND... NO! IN ORDER FOR YOU TO UNDERSTAND HOW, SEE WHAT HAPPENS WHEN, THROUGH AN AMAZING SET OF CIRCUMSTANCES,

SUPERBOY meets SUPERGIRL!

THIS STORY OPENS IN THE YEAR 1960, DEED A THE HEART OF FRIGID ANTARCTICA AS **SUPERMAN** AND HIS YOUNG KIN, **SUPERGIRL**, PLAN TO CREATE A COLOSSAL SNOWMAN...

WHAT FUN THIS IS, **SUPERMAN**! ...HMMM... WHY AREN'T YOU SMILING?

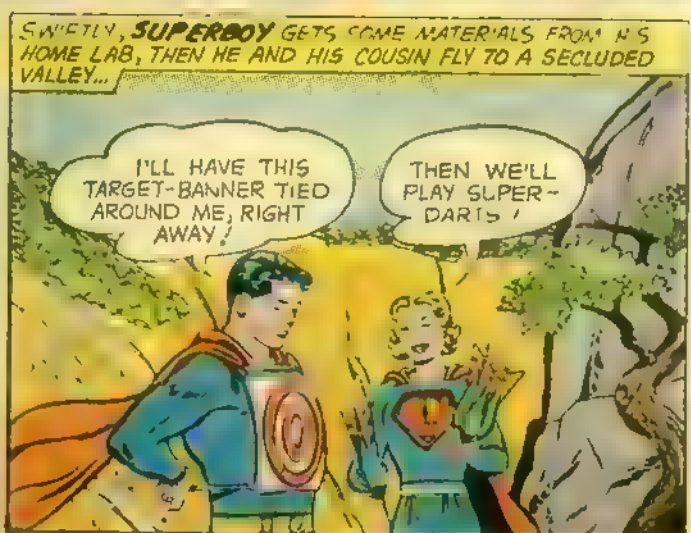
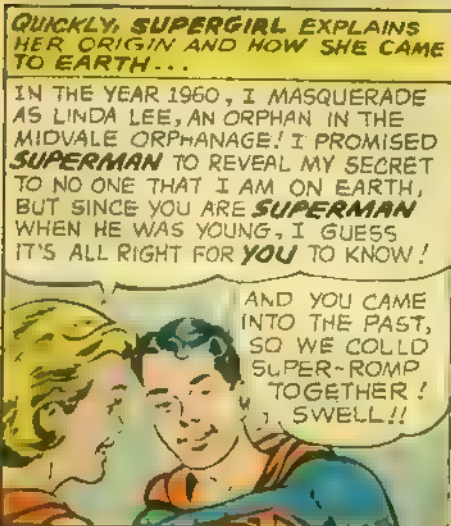
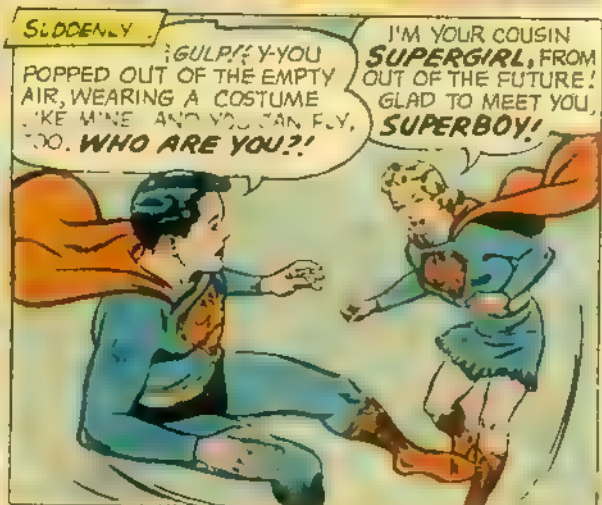
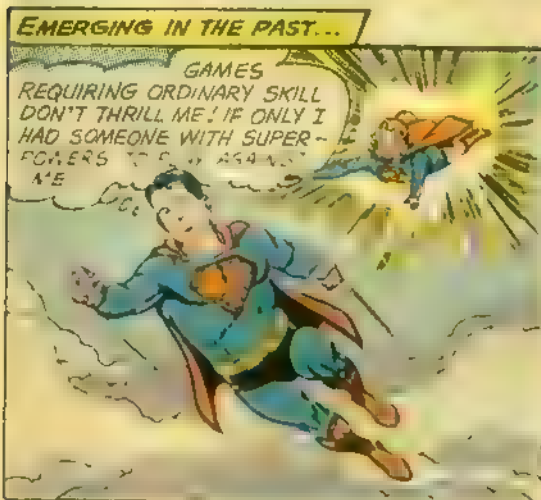
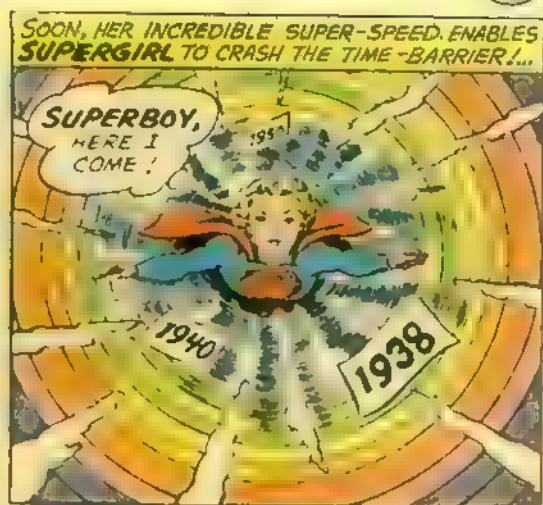
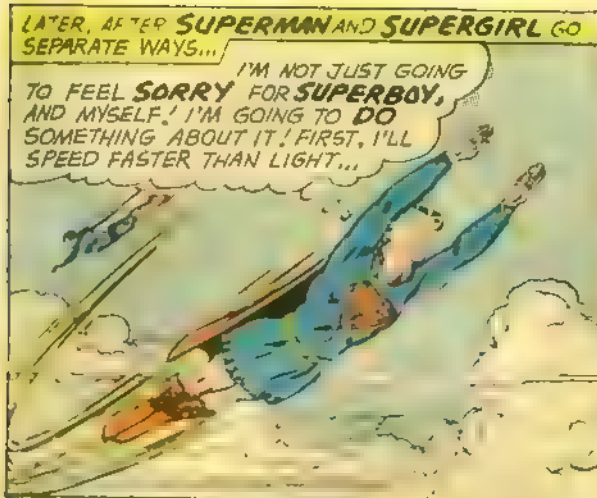
I JUST RECALLED SOMETHING UNHAPPY ABOUT MY CHILDHOOD...

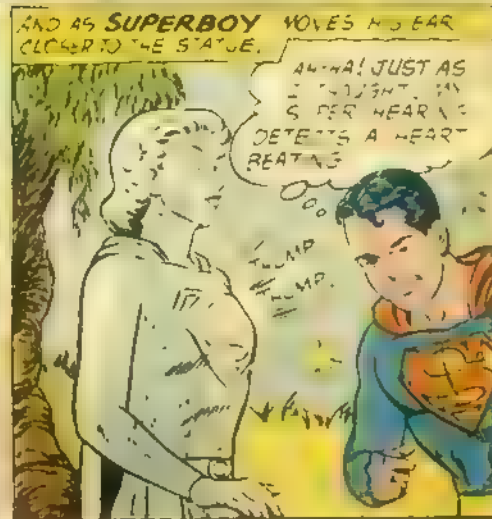
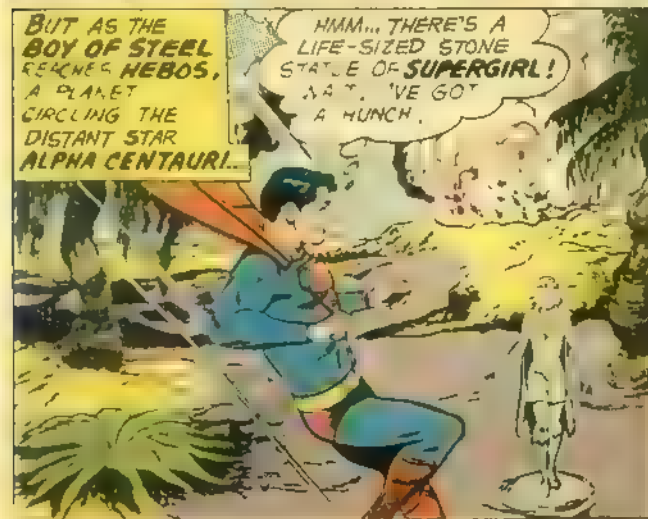
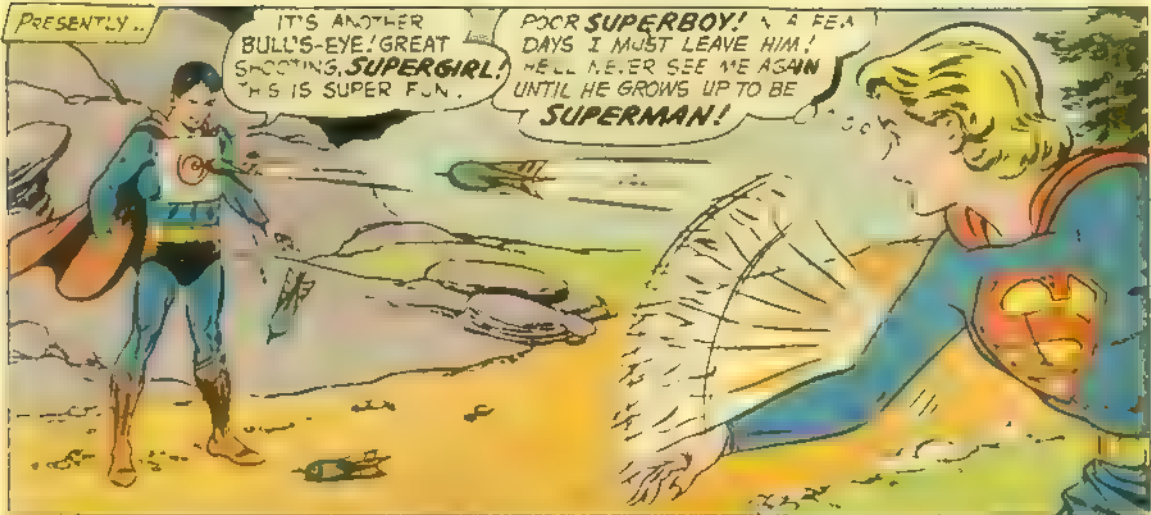
GOSH, PLAYING HIDE-AND-SEEK IN OUTER-SPACE WITH **SUPERGIRL** IS LOADS OF FUN!

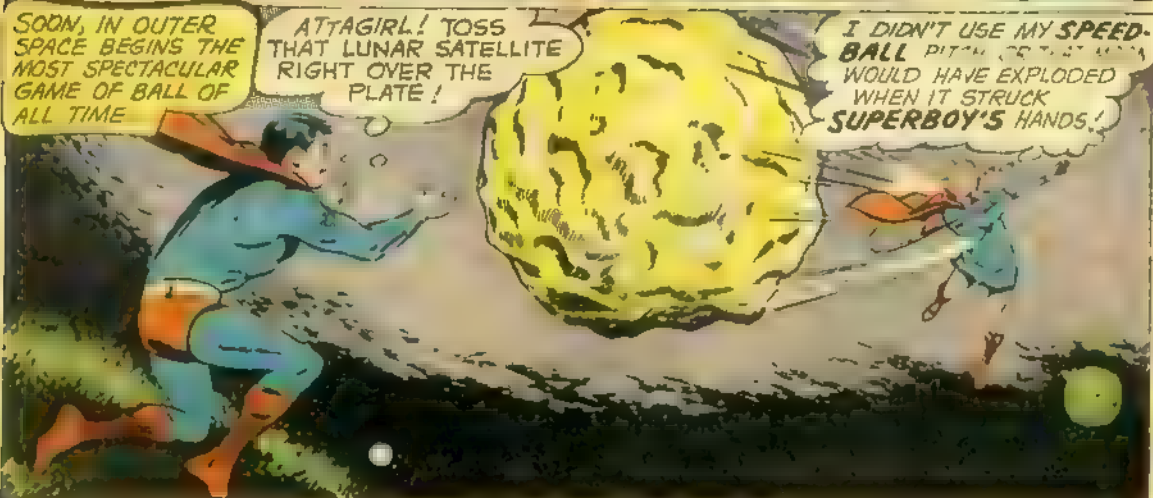
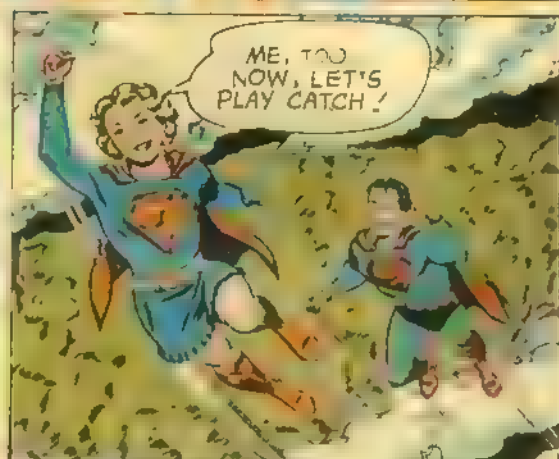
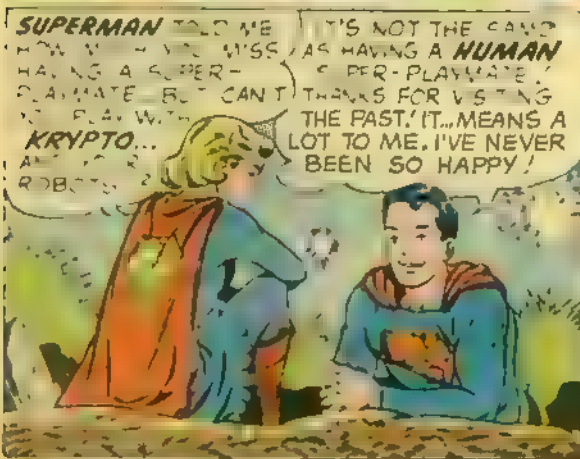
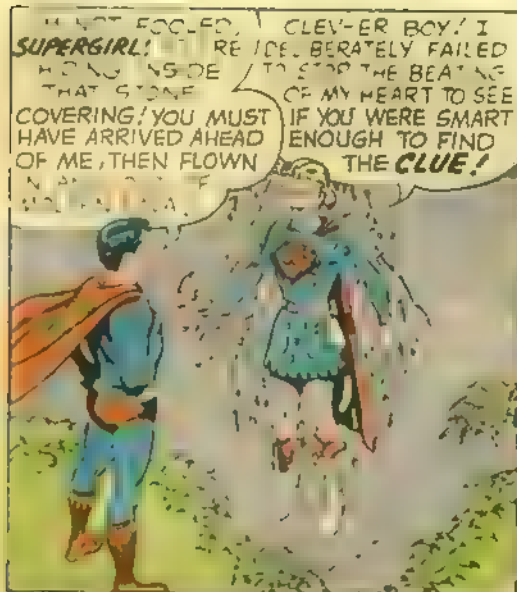
HA, HA! WHAT A TERRIFIC HIDING PLACE! **COUSIN SUPERBOY** CAN'T SEE ME HIDING BEHIND THIS LEAD METEOR, EVEN WITH HIS X-RAY VISION!

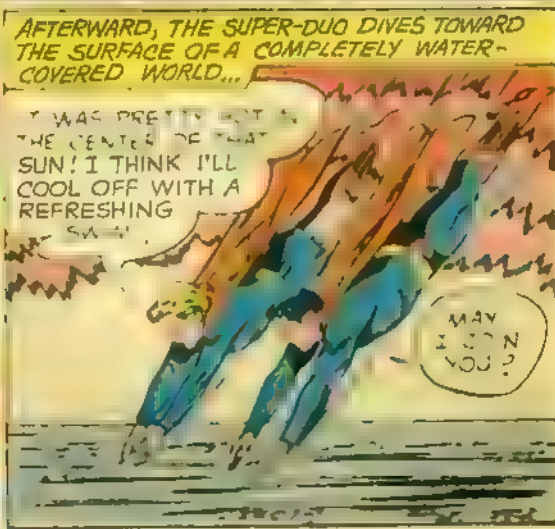
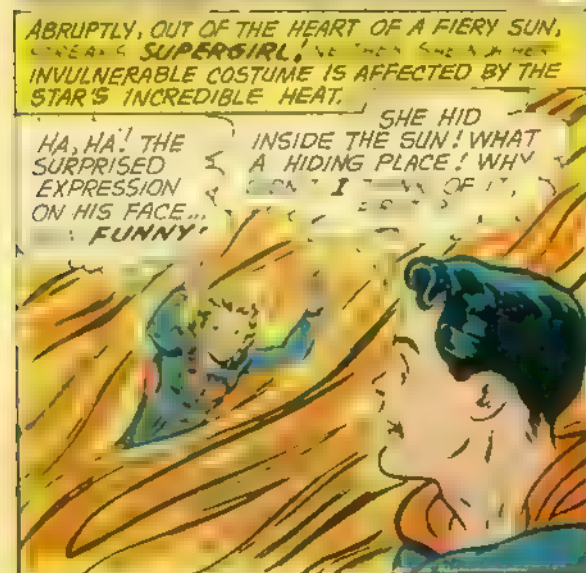
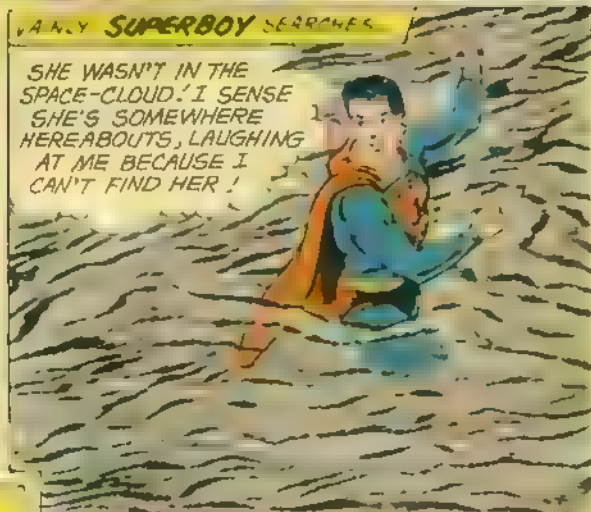
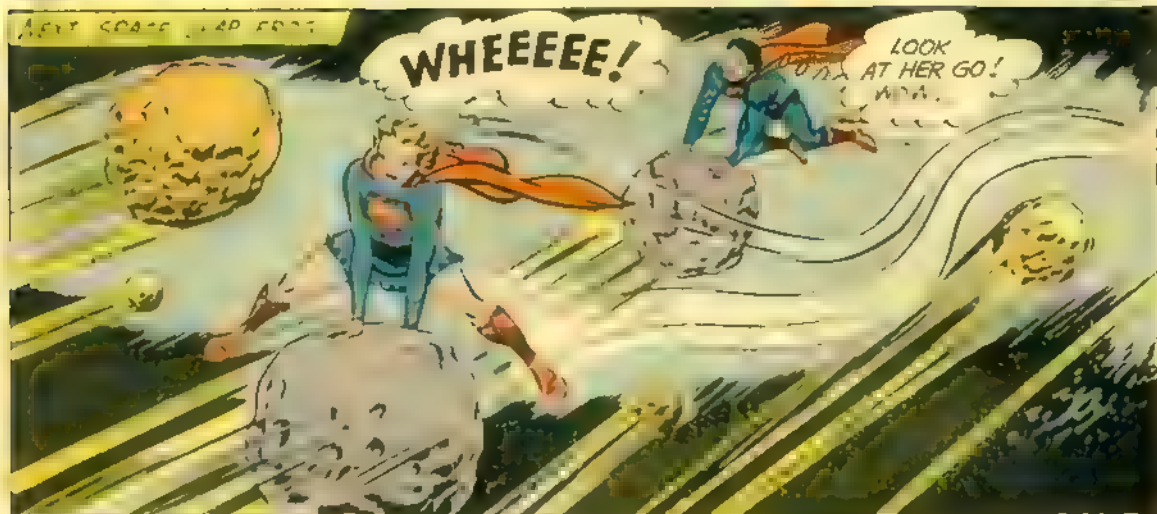
MANY YEARS AGO, WHEN I LIVED IN SMALLVILLE AS **SUPERBOY**, I COULD NEVER PLAY WITH KIDS MY OWN AGE FOR FEAR OF GIVING AWAY MY IDENTITY! OH, HOW I LONGED FOR A HUMAN PLAYMATE WHO WAS SUPER, LIKE MYSELF!

I KNOW HOW YOU FEEL! I, TOO, DARE NOT PLAY WITH ANYONE MY OWN AGE!

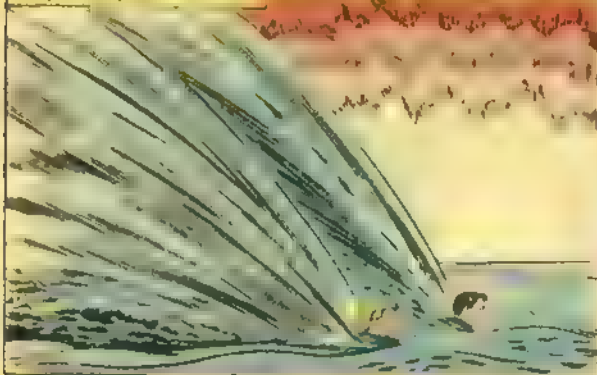








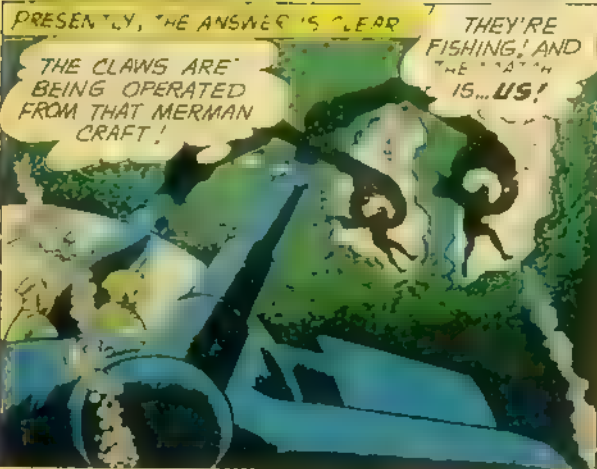
SIDE BY SIDE, **SUPERBOY** AND **SUPERGIRL** BRAVE THE UNKNOWN WATERS OF A STRANGE AQUA-WORLD, SWIMMING AT SUCH AMAZING SPEED THAT THE WATERS SPLUT AND REAG AROUND THEM, LIKE LIQUID MOUNTAINS



PRESENTLY, THE ANSWER IS CLEAR

THE CLAWS ARE BEING OPERATED FROM THAT MERMAN CRAFT!

THEY'RE FISHING! AND THE "BATH" IS... US!

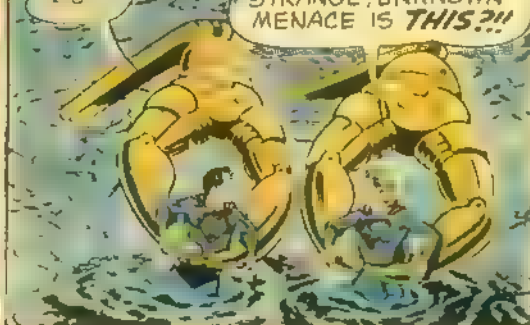


BUT THEN

GIANT, TALONED, METAL CLAWS... OUT OF THE DEPTHS!!

WHAT STRANGE, UNKNOWN MENACE IS THIS??!

LOOK OUT



SAFELY THE SUPER-BOYS FREE THEMSELVES FROM THE CLAWING MENACE WITH A SURGE OF TREMENDOUSLY SUPER-POWERFUL MUSCLES

WE CAME HERE FOR LAUGHS, NOT TO BE THE MAIN COURSE FOR A MERMAN DINNER!

BYE BYE WATER WORLD. YOU'RE ALL GET



LATER, AS **SUPERBOY** AND **SUPERGIRL** RETURN HOMEWARD,

TWO STRANGE SPACE-SHIPS...HEADING TOWARD EARTH!

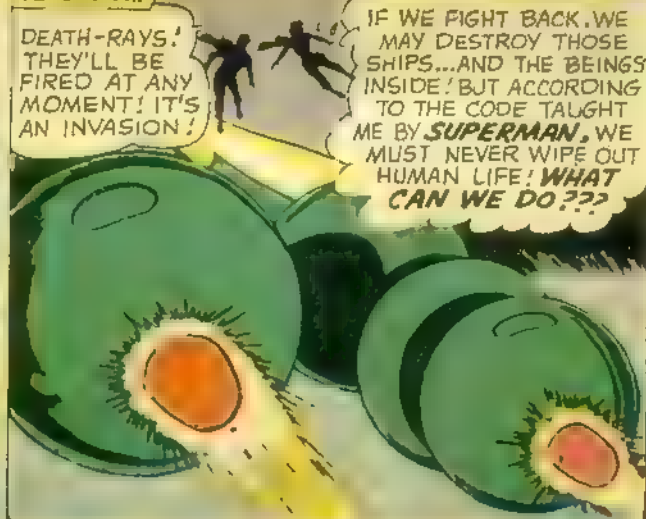
ARE THEY FRIENDLY?



AND AS THE RAY-PROJECTORS, AIMED AT EARTH, BEGIN TO GLOW...

DEATH-RAYS! THEY'LL BE FIRED AT ANY MOMENT! IT'S AN INVASION!

IF WE FIGHT BACK, WE MAY DESTROY THOSE SHIPS...AND THE BEINGS INSIDE! BUT ACCORDING TO THE CODE TAUGHT ME BY **SUPERMAN**, WE MUST NEVER WIPE OUT HUMAN LIFE! WHAT CAN WE DO???



SMITH AND SLY, THE **SPACE COUSINS** EXPLORE THE INTERIOR OF THE SHIPS WITH THEIR SUPER-VISION, AND SEE...

ROBOTS!!! THEY MUST BE ADVANCE SCOUTS SENT TO SEE IF EARTH CAN BE EASILY CONQUERED!

ROBOTS! I'VE SIGNALLED **SUPERBOY**, AND I THINK HE UNDERSTANDS MY PLAN!

WORKING IN SMOOTH UNISON, **SUPERBOY** AND **SUPERGIRL** EACH SEIZE A SPACESHIP, AND...

THERE! NOW THEY CAN FIRE THEIR RAYS ALL THEY WANT!

THEN...

THEY'RE STRUCK BY THEIR OWN RAYS! THE SHIPS ARE GLOWING!

HARMED BY THE MIGHTY EXPLOSIONS, THE SUPER-DUO FLASHES ON INTO EARTH'S ATMOSPHERE!

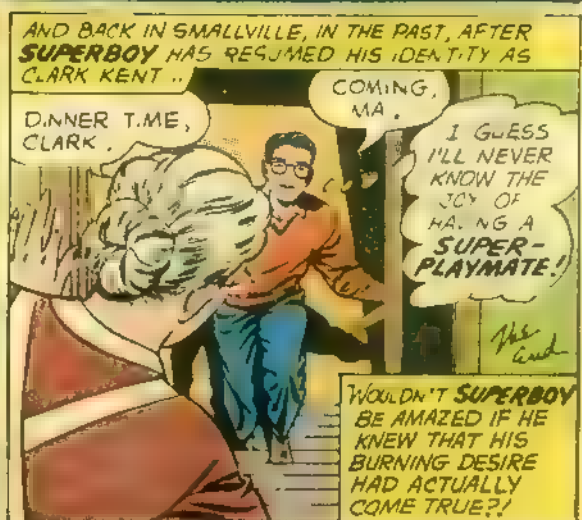
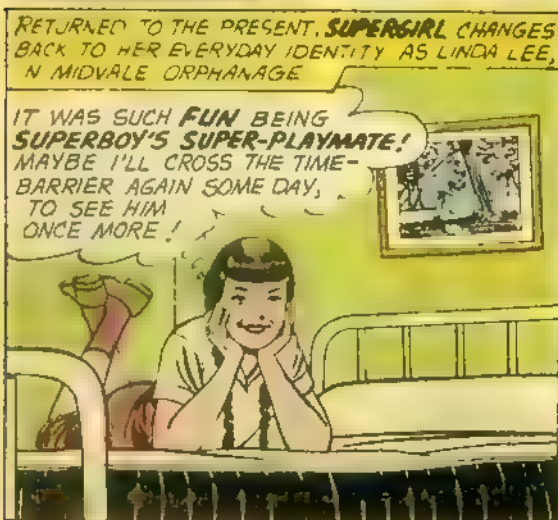
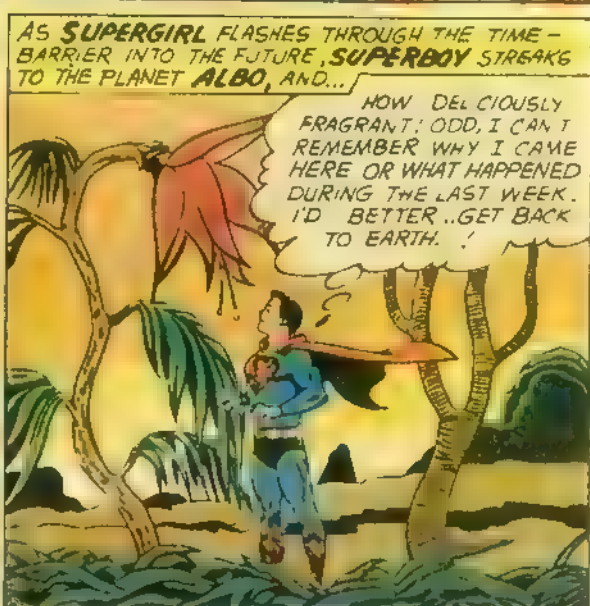
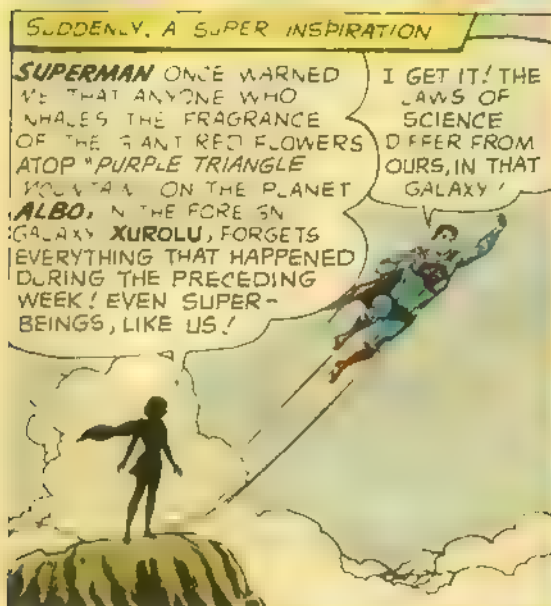
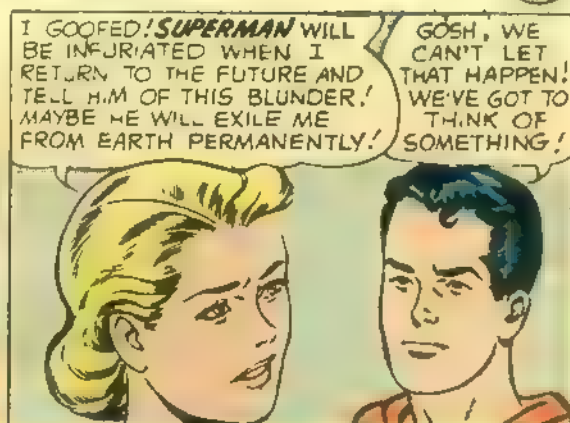
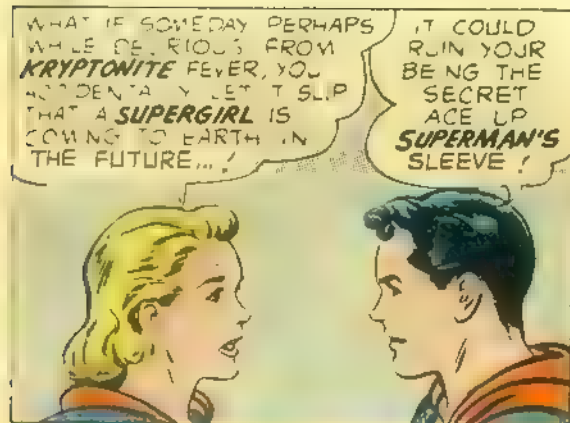
END OF INVASION!

WHEN I DECIDED TO TRAVEL INTO THE PAST TO VISIT MY COUSIN, I NEVER DREAMT I'D HELP SPOIL AN INTER-PLANETARY INVASION OF EARTH!

SOON ATOP MOUNT EVEREST...

I'LL BE RETURNING TO THE YEAR 1960, NOW, I'LL NEVER FORGET YOU, **SUPERGIRL!**

GASP! I JUST HAD A HORRIBLE THOUGHT ABOUT YOU AND ME!!





THIS IS THE HISTORIC MOMENT WHEN **SUPERMAN** PUBLICLY REVEALED THE EXISTENCE OF HIS COUSIN, **SUPERGIRL**, TO THE WORLD! PREVIOUSLY, THE GIRL OF STEEL HAD PERFORMED ALL HER GREAT FEATS ANONYMOUSLY, SO THAT SHE COULD FUNCTION AS **SUPERMAN'S** SECRET WEAPON IN CASE OF AN EMERGENCY (THIS PAGE REPRINTED FROM **ACTION COMICS**, NO. 285.)



SUPER-HORSE, I DON'T KNOW YOUR NAME, OR WHERE YOU CAME FROM, BUT YOU CAME ALONG JUST IN TIME TO SAVE ME FROM THE KRYPTONITE RAYS OF THOSE ENEMY ALIENS!

IMAGINE IT! A MAGNIFICENT STALLION APPEARING OUT OF NOWHERE TO FLASH ACROSS THE SKY AT SUPER-SPEED. A GALLANT CHARGER WHOSE IRON HOOF'S CAN LEVEL MOUNTAINS, WHOSE SILKEN HIDE IS INVULNERABLE TO THE DEADLIEST OF WEAPONS! IMPOSSIBLE, YOU SAY! NO SUCH SUPER-HORSE EXISTS... YET, THESE ARE THE POWERS OF THE FANTASTIC SPEED FATED TO BE SUPERGIRL'S COMPANION AS SHE BATTLES AGAINST THE FORCES OF CRIME AND EVIL! WHAT IS THE ORIGIN OF THIS AMAZING HORSE? HOW DID HE GAIN HIS INCREDIBLE SUPER-POWERS? WHAT MYSTERIOUS MISSION BRINGS HIM TO SUPERGIRL'S SIDE? EVEN SUPERGIRL HERSELF IS BAFFLED BY THE EERIE MYSTERY OF...

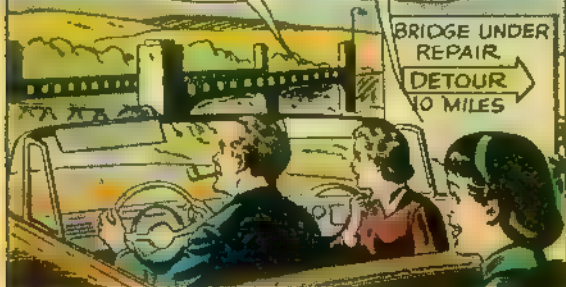
The SUPER-STEED OF STEEL!

ONE AFTERNOON, AS LINDA (SUPERGIRL) DANVERS IS EN ROUTE TO A MOVIE WITH HER FOSTER PARENTS...

A DETOUR! WE'LL HAVE TO DRIVE TEN MILES OUT OF OUR WAY! OH, FRED! WE'LL BE LATE FOR THE START OF THE MOVIE!

DON'T WORRY, MOTHER! WE WON'T HAVE TO TAKE THIS DETOUR! I'LL HAVE YOU ACROSS IN NO TIME!

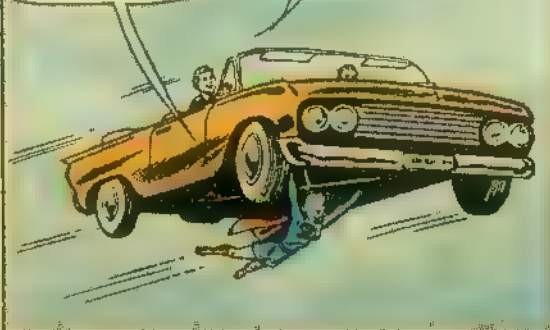
BRIDGE UNDER REPAIR
DETOUR
10 MILES



SWIFTLY, LINDA CHANGES INTO HER SUPERGIRL COSTUME, THEN...

HOLD ON, MOTHER AND DAD! THIS WILL ONLY TAKE A MOMENT!

OH, ISN'T THIS THRILLING, FRED? SHE'S FLYING US ACROSS!

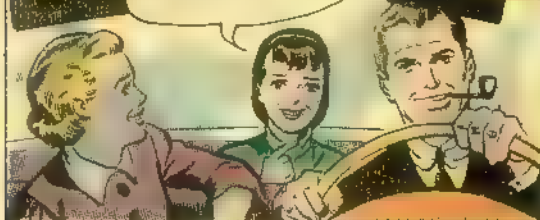


SOON THE HAPPY DANVERS FAMILY RESUMES ITS JOURNEY

WE'RE THE **LUCKIEST** PARENTS ALIVE TO HAVE **SUPER-GIRL** AS A DAUGHTER!

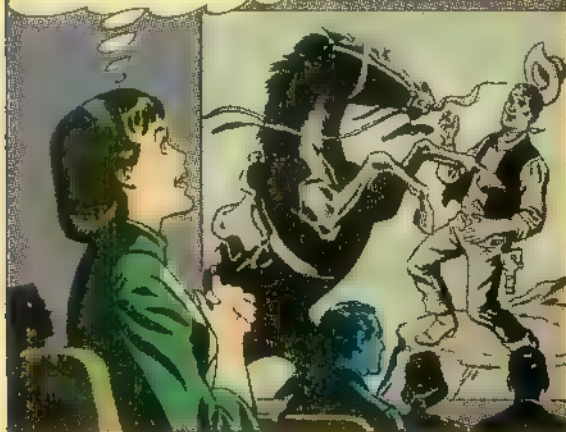
I COULD JUST BURST WITH PRIDE TELLING FRIENDS OUR LINDA IS **SUPERGIRL**... BUT WE MUST KEEP IT A SECRET!

CHOKES MOM
DAD, YOU'RE SO SWEET TO ME!

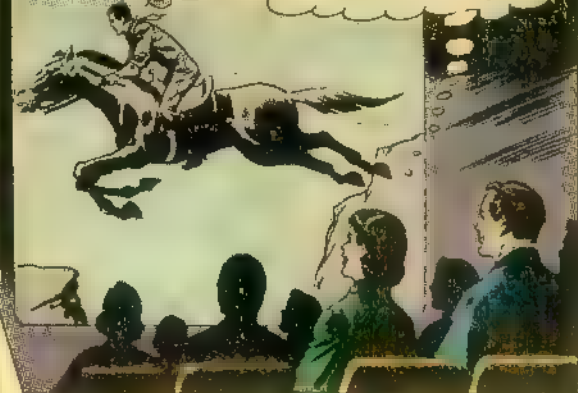


AND AS THE MOVIE REACHES ITS CLIMAX...

FIREBRAND IS UNMASKING THE LEADER OF THE HIGHWAYMEN! GASP! HE MUST HAVE AMAZING INTELLIGENCE TO BE ABLE TO DO A TRICK LIKE THAT!



AT THE MOVIE... THAT'S THE FAMOUS WONDER HORSE, **FIREBRAND**! HE'S CARRYING THAT COWBOY STAR ACROSS A CHASM AS EASILY AS I CARRIED OUR FAMILY CAR ACROSS THAT BROKEN BRIDGE!



THAT NIGHT, IN HER ROOM, AS LINDA RETIRES...

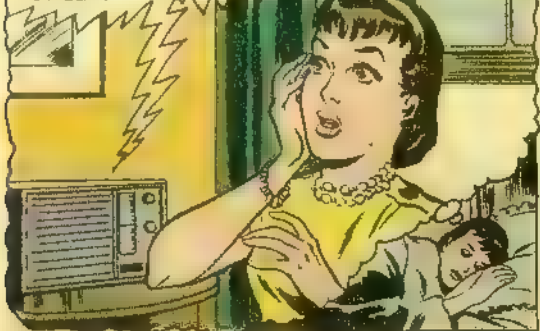
I KEEP THINKING ABOUT **FIREBRAND**! OH, WOULDN'T IT BE EXCITING IF I COULD HAVE A WONDER HORSE FOR MY OWN! THE FUN WE COULD HAVE TOGETHER! GOSH, JUST THINKING ABOUT IT GIVES ME GOOSE FLESH! I HOPE I CAN FALL ASLEEP TONIGHT!



SURE ENOUGH, LINDA'S RESTLESS SLEEP IS DISTURBED BY A STRANGE DREAM...

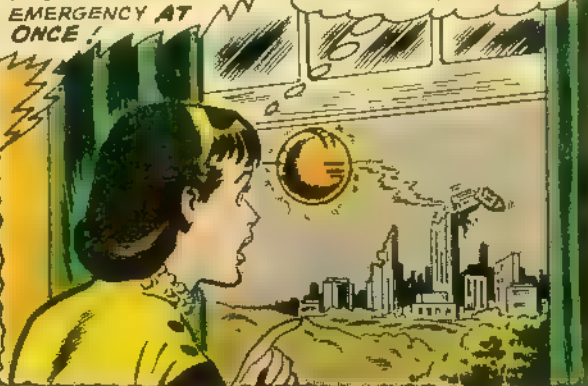
REPEATING THE BULLETIN! ATTENTION ALL LISTENERS! AN ALIEN SPACE-FLEET IS ATTACKING **METROPOLIS**! CIVILIANS ARE ORDERED TO EVACUATE THE CITY AT ONCE!

OMIGOSH!



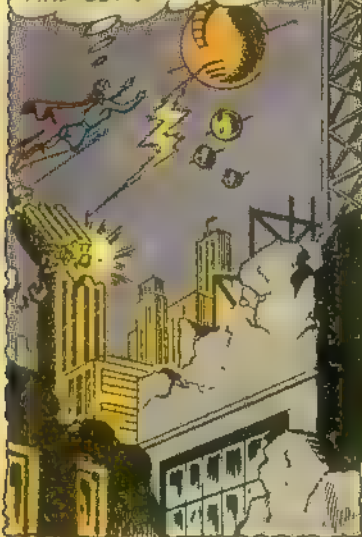
THE ALIEN RAIDERS ARE DESTROYING **METROPOLIS'** TALLEST SKYSCRAPERS! **CALLING SUPERMAN!** IF YOU ARE WITHIN REACH, RESPOND TO THIS EMERGENCY AT ONCE!

SUPERMAN CAN'T ANSWER THAT CALL! HE'S OFF IN A DISTANT GALAXY! I'LL HAVE TO TACKLE THIS JOB MYSELF!

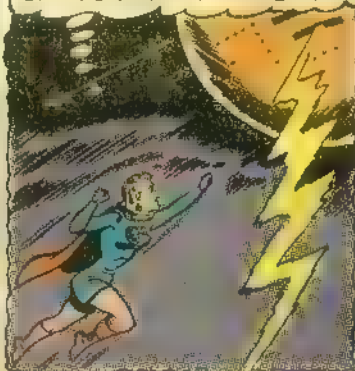


EVEN IN HER DREAM, LINDA RESPONDS TO DUTY'S CALL IN HER ROLE AS **SUPERGIRL!**

THOSE ALIENS ARE BOMBARDING METROPOLIS WITH BOLTS OF PURE ENERGY! HOW CAN THEY GENERATE THE ENORMOUS POWER FOR SUCH FANTASTIC WEAPONS? I'LL USE MY X-RAY VISION TO FIND OUT?

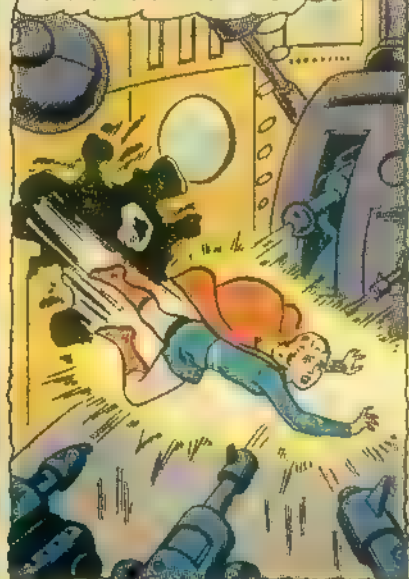


MY X-RAY VISION CAN'T BREAK THROUGH! THEY MUST HAVE THAT SPACE-SPHERE LINED WITH LEAD! I'LL GIVE THESE ALIEN RAIDERS A TASTE OF MY **SUPER-STRENGTH!**



BUT AS THE **GIRL OF STEEL** RAMS INTO THE ENEMY SPACE-CRAFT...

GASP! IT'S A TRAP! I'M CAUGHT IN A **CROSS-FIRE** OF RAY GUNS! **CHOKES!** THEY'RE PROBABLY POWERED BY **GREEN KRYPTONITE!** I FEEL SO WEAK... **HELPLESS!**



CHOKES! THOSE KRYPTONITE RAYS WEAKENED MY SUPER-POWERS... I'M FALLING -- **PLUNGING EARTHWARD!**

FROM A NEARBY SPACE CRAFT THE ALIEN INVADERS GLOAT...

PERFECT! SUPERGIRL TOOK THE BAIT AND PLUNGED RIGHT INTO OUR TRAP! IT'S HER FINISH!

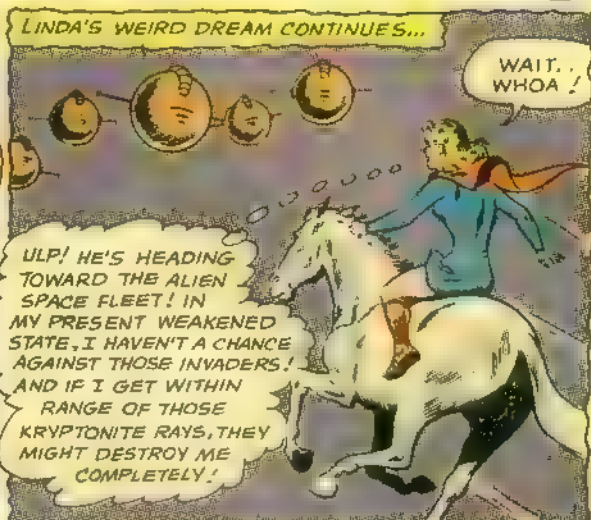
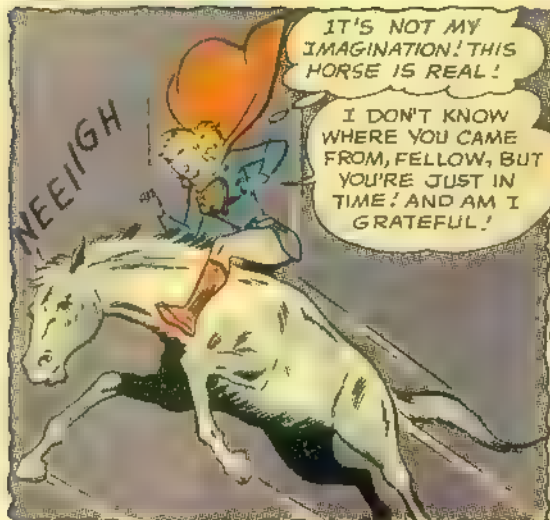
HA! WITH HER OUT OF THE WAY, WE CAN SUBDUE THE EARTH AT OUR LEISURE!



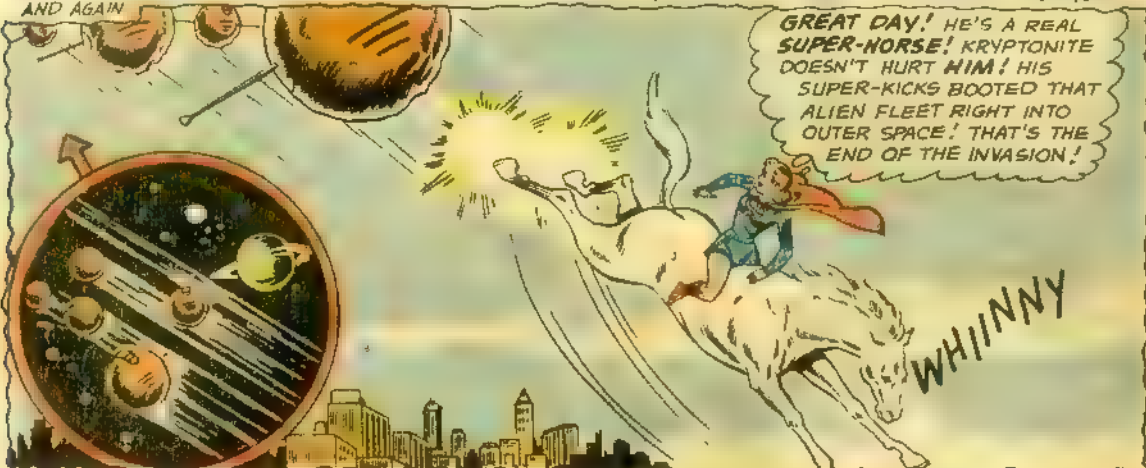
SUDDENLY, OUT OF NOWHERE...

GULP! THIS FALL IS AFFECTING MY MIND! I MUST BE SEEING THINGS! IT'S A **FLYING HORSE!** AND HE'S GALLOPING THROUGH THE AIR TOWARD ME!

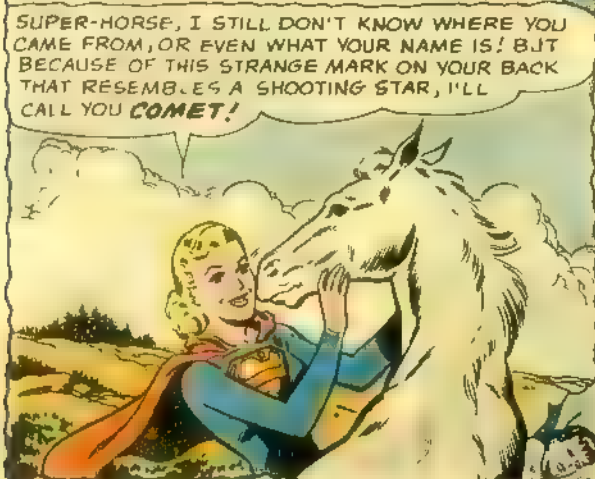




BUT THE EERIE WHITE STALLION HAS A PLAN OF HIS OWN, AND AS HIS MIGHTY HEELS LASH OUT AGAIN AND AGAIN



AS LINDA'S DREAM ADVENTURE NEARS ITS END...



THE NEXT DAY, AS LINDA AWAKENS...

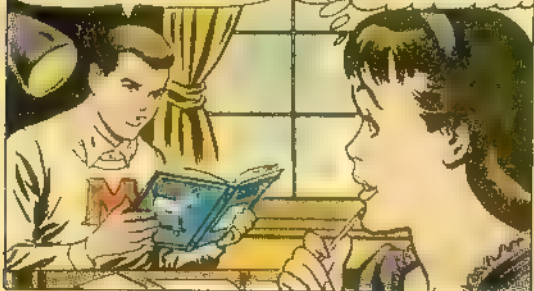


THAT EVENING, WHILE DOING HOMEWORK WITH HER FRIEND, DICK MALVERNE, LINDA IS STILL HAUNTED BY HER STRANGE DREAM...

LINDA, YOU'RE DAY-DREAMING AGAIN! WE'RE STUDYING ABOUT HELEN OF TROY AND THE TROJAN HORSE! TRY TO CONCENTRATE ON THE LESSON!

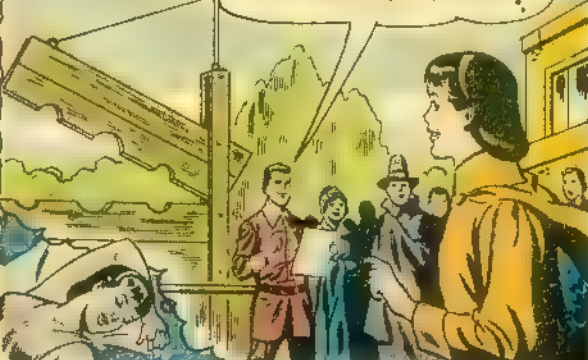
ER... ALL RIGHT, DICK!

THE ONLY HORSE I CAN CONCENTRATE ON IS MY DREAM STALLION, COMET!



THAT NIGHT LINDA DREAMS AGAIN... BUT THIS ONE BEGINS WITH HER BOY-FRIEND, DICK MALVERNE...

HERE'S LINDA NOW! EVERYTHING'S SET! WE CAN START THE DRESS REHEARSAL OF OUR SCHOOL PAGEANT ABOUT THE **WITCHES OF SALEM!**



AS THE REHEARSAL BEGINS...

LINDA, AS ONE OF THE ACCUSED WITCHES, YOUR PART CALLS FOR YOU TO BE LOCKED UP IN THE STOCKS!

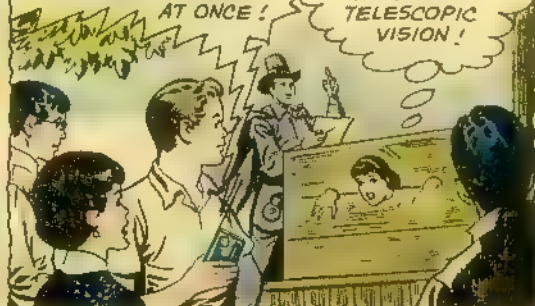
ALL RIGHT, DICK! YOU'RE THE DIRECTOR!



SUDDENLY, FROM A NEARBY PORTABLE TRANSISTOR RADIO...

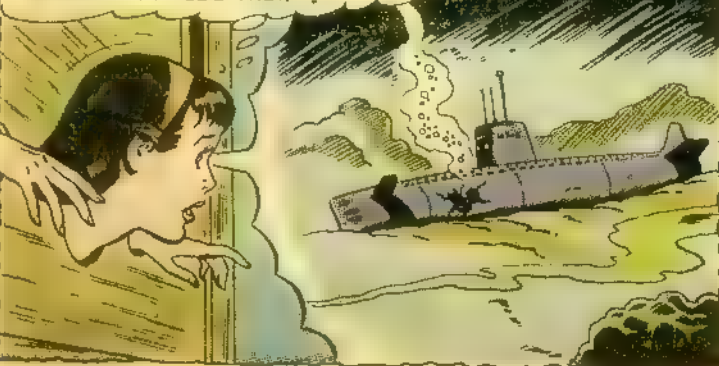
ATTENTION, **SUPERMAN** OR **SUPERGIRL**! A SUBMARINE HAS JUST BEEN SUNK ACCIDENTALLY OFF THE PORT OF **METROPOLIS**! PROCEED TO THE SCENE AT ONCE!

GASP! **SUPERMAN'S** SOMEWHERE IN THE FUTURE! I'D BETTER CHECK ON THE CONDITION OF THAT SUNKEN SUB WITH MY TELESCOPIC VISION!



AS LINDA'S STRANGE DREAM CONTINUES...

MY TELESCOPIC VISION SHOWS ME THAT WATER IS POURING INTO THE SHATTERED HULL OF THAT SUB! THE SAILORS ABOARD THAT SUNKEN CRAFT ARE DOOMED UNLESS I RESCUE THEM!

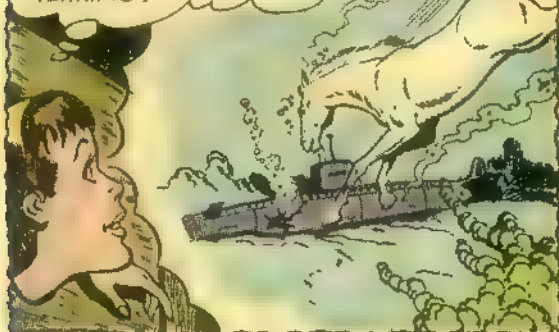


TO SAVE THOSE SUBMARINERS, I'D HAVE TO USE MY SUPER-STRENGTH TO BREAK OUT OF THESE STOCKS! BUT THAT WOULD REVEAL MY IDENTITY AS **SUPERGIRL**! GULP!...



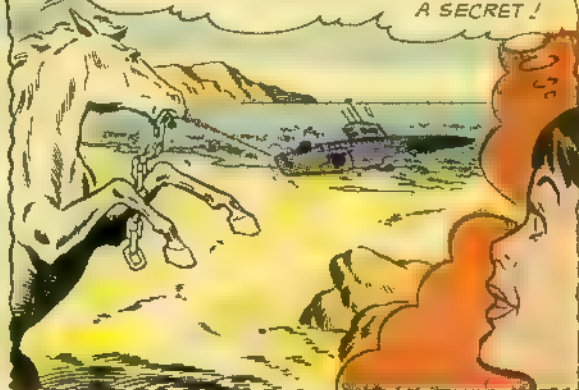
AT THAT MOMENT, THE AMAZING WHITE STALLION APPEARS IN LINDA'S DREAM...

GASP! IT'S COMET! HE'S PLUNGING DOWN INTO THE OCEAN'S DEPTHS TO SAVE THAT SUBMARINE! ITS IMMENSE WATER PRESSURE DOESN'T BOTHER HIM! HE'S TERRIFIC!



COMET USES HIS SUPER-STRENGTH TO DRAG THE SUB TO SAFETY!

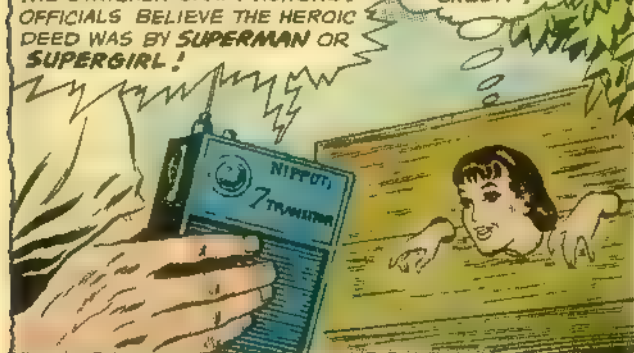
GOOD BOY, COMET! THAT'S A SUPER-DEED IF I EVER SAW ONE! AND HE'S DONE ME A SUPER-FAVOR BY ALLOWING ME TO KEEP MY IDENTITY A SECRET!



WITH HER TELESCOPIC VISION, LINDA WATCHES COMET FLY AWAY, THEN...

SPECIAL BULLETIN! THE SUBMARINE HAS BEEN SAVED! SOME UNKNOWN HERO DRAGGED THE STRICKEN CRAFT ASHORE! OFFICIALS BELIEVE THE HEROIC DEED WAS BY SUPERMAN OR SUPERGIRL!

COMET WAS THE REAL HERO! BUT HE'S TOO MODEST TO TAKE THE CREDIT!



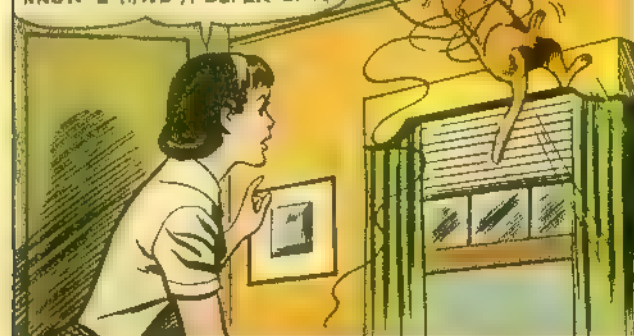
AT DAWN, AS LINDA AWAKENS...

GOOD GRIEF! THAT'S THE SECOND DREAM I HAD ABOUT THAT SUPER-STALLION, COMET! GOSH! I'M EVEN CALLING HIM BY NAME NOW! IT'S ALMOST AS IF MY DREAM-HORSE WAS REAL!



TRYING TO FORGET HER OBSESSION, LINDA PLAYS WITH HER PET, STREAKY, THE SUPER-CAT...

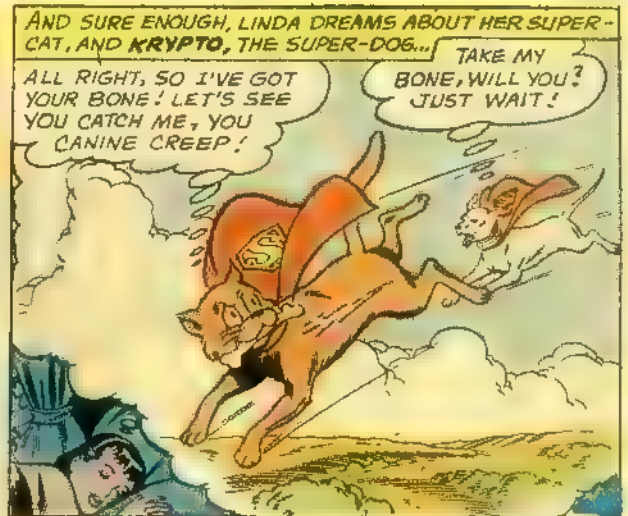
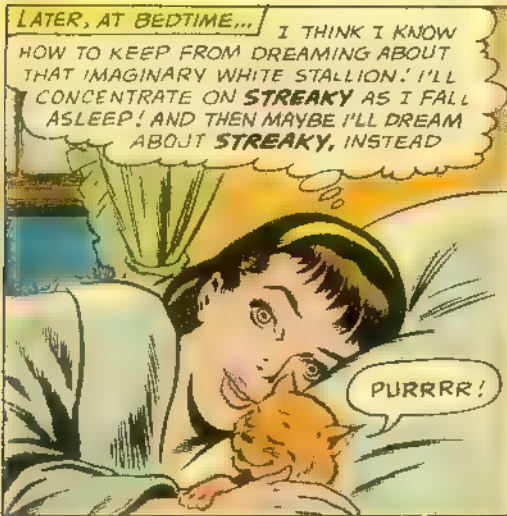
STREAKY, YOU'RE MAKING A MESS OF MOTHER'S YARN! AND DON'T FLY NEAR THE WINDOWS! THE NEIGHBORS MUSN'T KNOW I HAVE A SUPER-CAT!



BUT LINDA'S THOUGHTS INEVITABLY TURN TO COMET...

STREAKY, YOU'RE A LITTLE PICKENS, WHY DON'T YOU LEARN TO BEHAVE? SIGH! YOU SHOULD LEARN TO USE YOUR SUPER-POWERS TO DO USEFUL THINGS THE WAY COMET DOES!





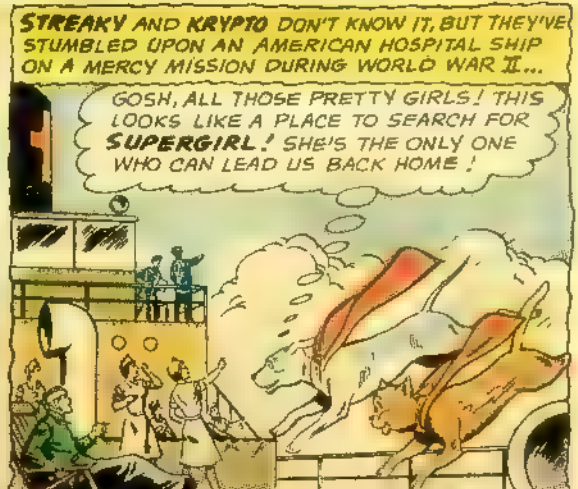
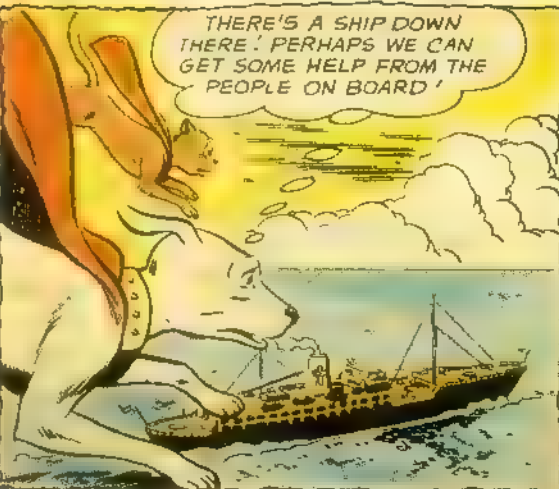
IN THE HEAT OF THE CHASE, THE SUPER PETS, TRAVELING AT INCREDIBLE VELOCITY, ACCIDENTALLY BREAK THROUGH THE TIME BARRIER INTO THE PAST!



THE CHASE ENDS IN THE YEAR 1942 OVER THE VAST EXPANSE OF THE PACIFIC OCEAN

GULP! WHERE ARE WE? SOMETHING TELLS ME WE'RE LOST... BUT GOOD!

WHY DID I FOLLOW THIS FOOLISH FELINE? I HAVEN'T THE SLIGHTEST IDEA WHERE WE ARE AND HOW TO GET BACK WHERE WE BELONG!

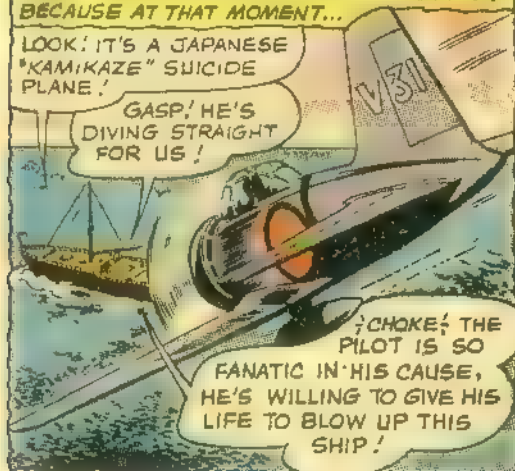


THE SUPER-ANIMALS REMAIN UNDETECTED, BECAUSE AT THAT MOMENT...

LOOK! IT'S A JAPANESE "KAMIKAZE" SUICIDE PLANE!

GASP! HE'S DIVING STRAIGHT FOR US!

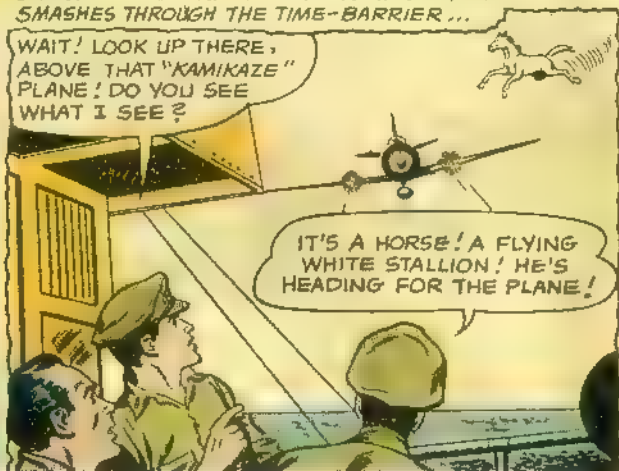
CHOKE! THE PILOT IS SO FANATIC IN HIS CAUSE, HE'S WILLING TO GIVE HIS LIFE TO BLOW UP THIS SHIP!



BUT AT THAT CRITICAL MOMENT, A MIGHTY STALLION SMASHES THROUGH THE TIME-BARRIER...

WAIT! LOOK UP THERE, ABOVE THAT "KAMIKAZE" PLANE! DO YOU SEE WHAT I SEE?

IT'S A HORSE! A FLYING WHITE STALLION! HE'S HEADING FOR THE PLANE!

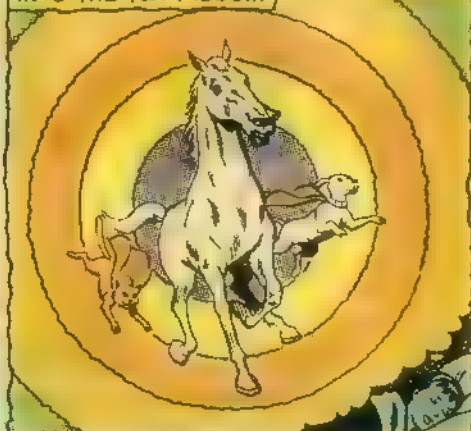


IT'S COMET, THE SUPER-HORSE OF LINDA'S WEIRD DREAMS... AND AT SUPER-SPEED, HE INTERCEPTS THE ATTACKING PLANE...

WE MUST BE SEEING THINGS! THAT JAPANESE PLANE STRUCK THE FLYING HORSE AND JUST DISINTEGRATED!



AS LINDA'S DREAM ENDS, THE SUPER-STALLION COMPLETES HIS MISSION, GUIDING KRYPTO AND STREAKY BACK INTO THE YEAR 1962...



THE NEXT MORNING, AS LINDA AWAKENS...

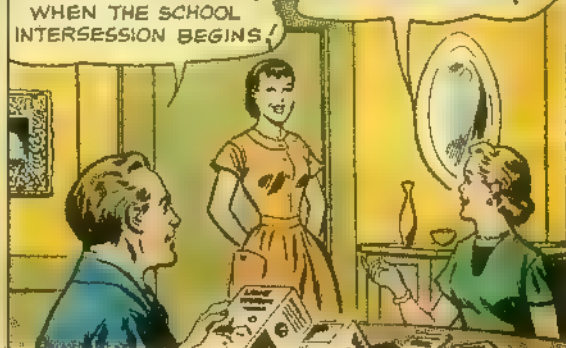
THOSE CONSTANT DREAMS ABOUT A WHITE SUPER-STALLION ARE BEGINNING TO WORRY ME! I'VE GOT TO FIND SOME WAY OF GETTING THAT IMAGINARY HORSE OUT OF MY MIND!

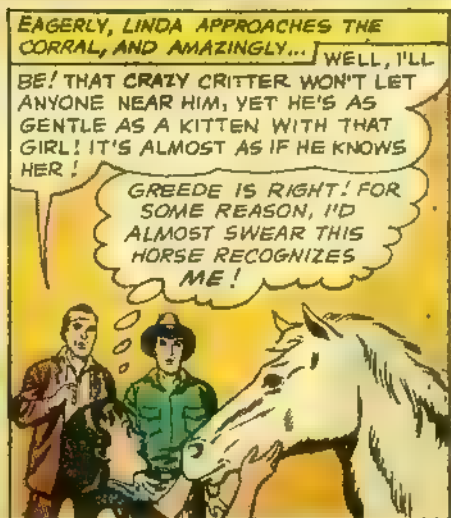
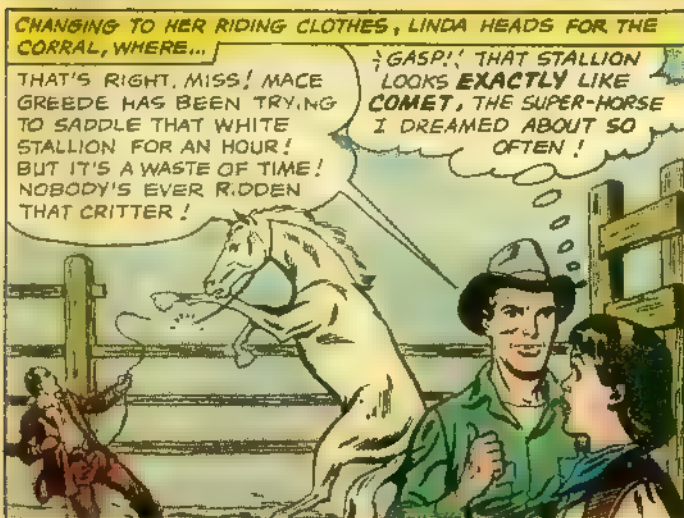
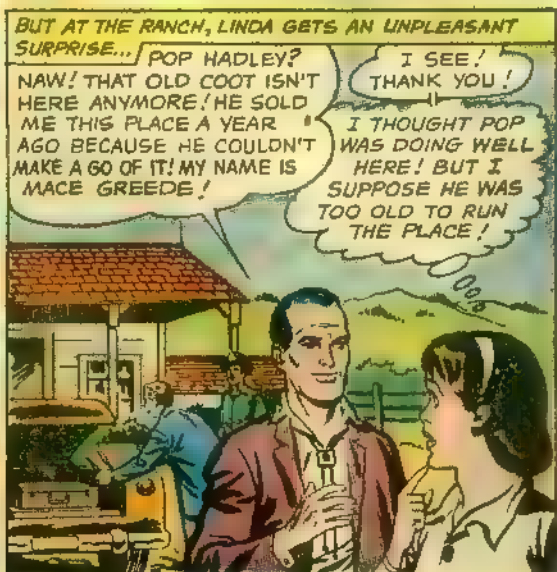
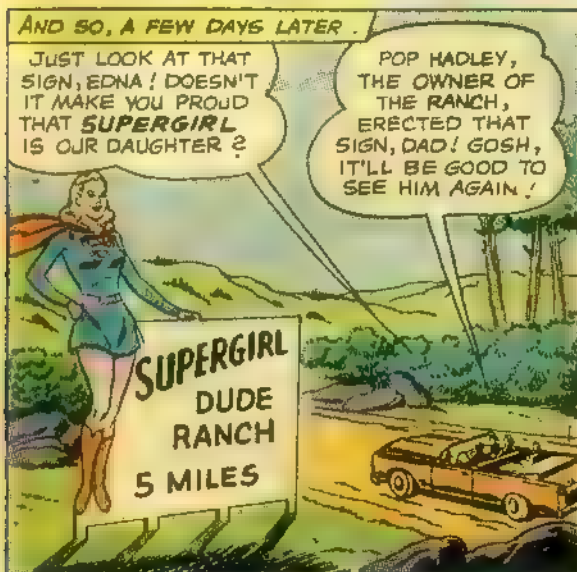
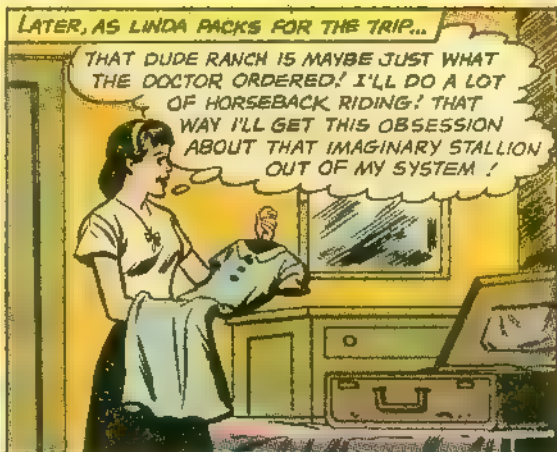
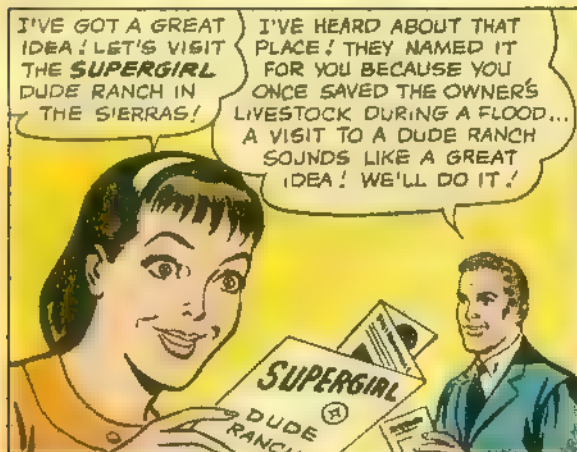


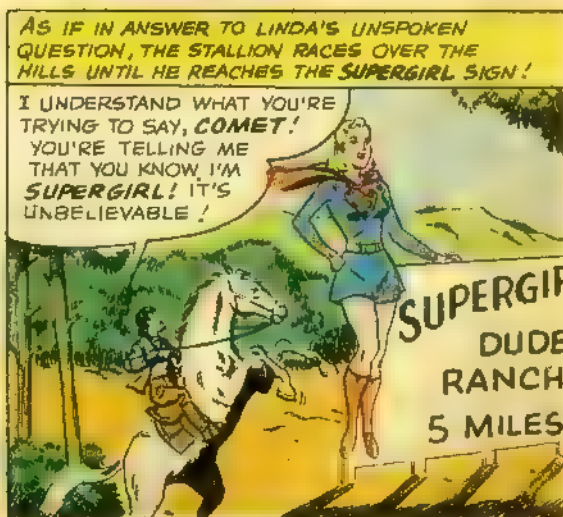
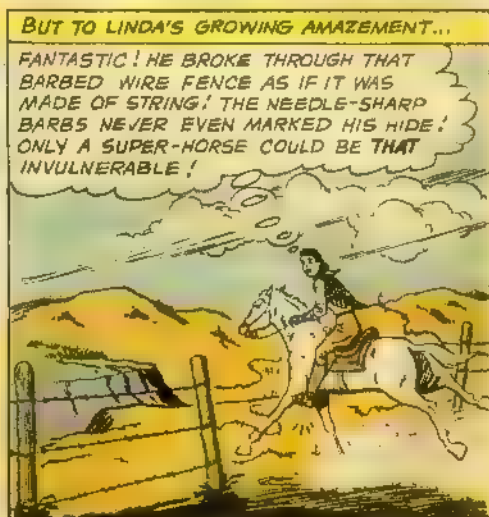
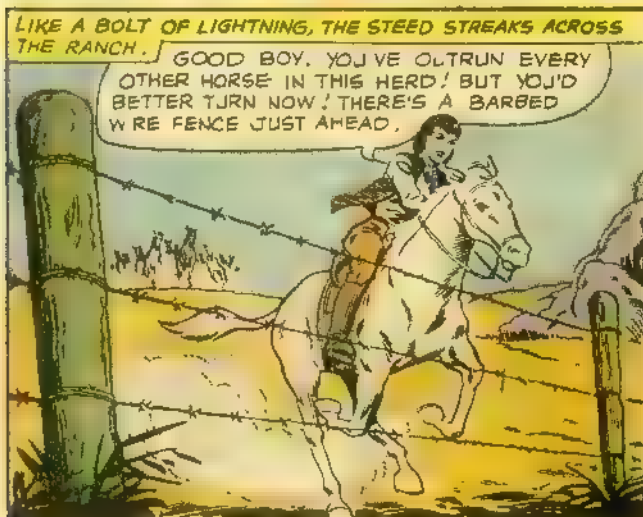
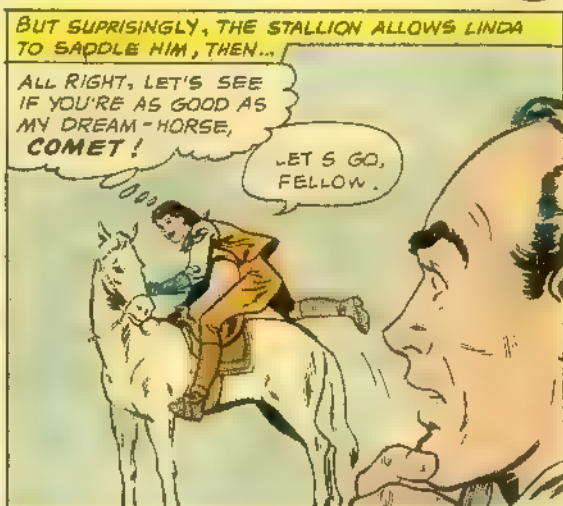
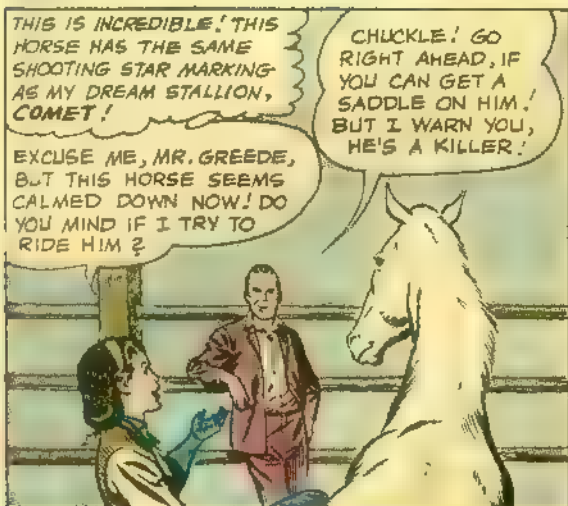
AND THAT AFTERNOON, FATE COMES TO LINDA'S RESCUE...

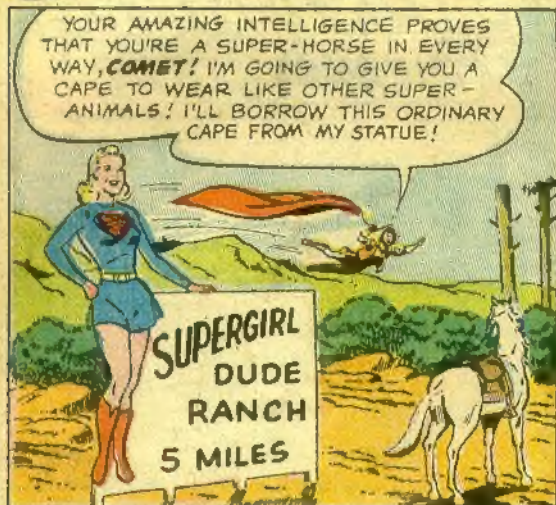
LINDA, I'VE GOT A WEEK'S VACATION COMING TO ME! I'M PLANNING TO TAKE IT NEXT WEEK, WHEN THE SCHOOL INTERSESSION BEGINS!

WE'RE PLANNING A TRIP, DEAR! WHERE WOULD YOU LIKE TO GO? THE MOUNTAINS? THE SEA SHORE?









THE ORIGIN OF SUPER-HORSE

Comet, the Super-Horse, was once Biron, a centaur who lived in Greece in the time of the great heroes. One day he saw Circe, the mightiest of sorceresses, vanquish her enemy, the evil Malador, in a contest of magic. The villainous wizard tried to avenge this defeat by poisoning a spring where she drank. But Biron caught him in the act and thwarted him. For saving her life, Circe rewarded Biron by granting him one wish. He asked to be changed from a half-human centaur to a real man. But Malador had switched Circe's potions, and the one Biron drank turned him, instead, into a horse. At that time, Circe had no antidote, so, to make up for her apparent mistake, she gave him super-powers, plus the ability to communicate by telepathy. But Malador was not through with Biron. He banished the super-steed to a planet in the constellation Sagittarius, keeping him imprisoned there by a magic aura.

More than 3,000 years passed as Biron waited helplessly for freedom. Then came the day that a rocket passed the planet, carrying Supergirl to Earth. The rocket's repeller rays shattered the magical aura, so that Super-Horse could escape. He returned to Earth, where he found Supergirl and made telepathic contact with her. She named him Comet, and he began to help her in her super-deeds.

One day the mighty steed flew his mistress on a mission to the planet Zerox, which is inhabited by sorcerers. Supergirl had no powers under its red sun, but Comet retained his magical super-abilities. For helping Prince Endor of Zerox, Super-Horse was given the power to become human whenever he is within sight of a comet. At such times he adopts the secret identity of Bronco Bill, a cowboy. Supergirl, who is unaware of her super-steed's double life, is very fond of the handsome rodeo rider.



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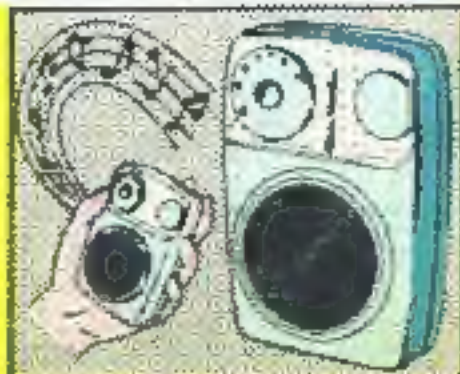


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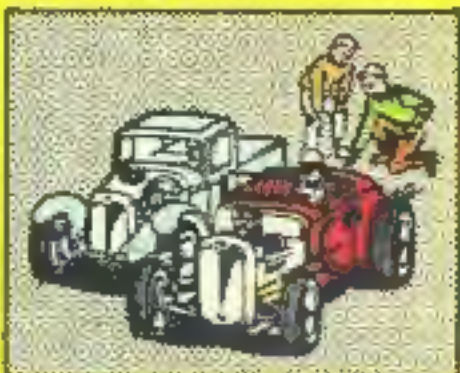
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